

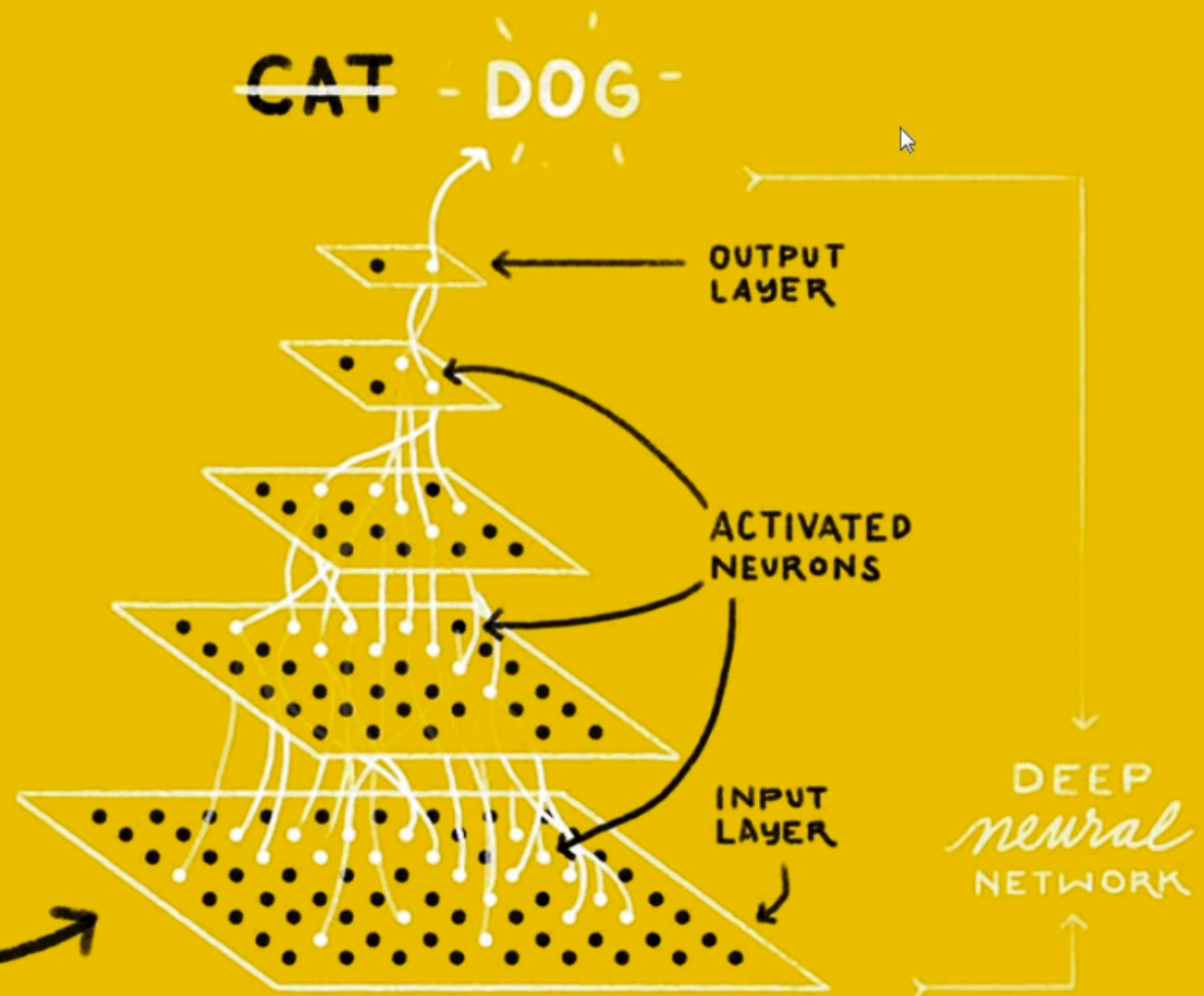
Visualizing Dataflow Graphs of Deep Learning Models in TensorFlow

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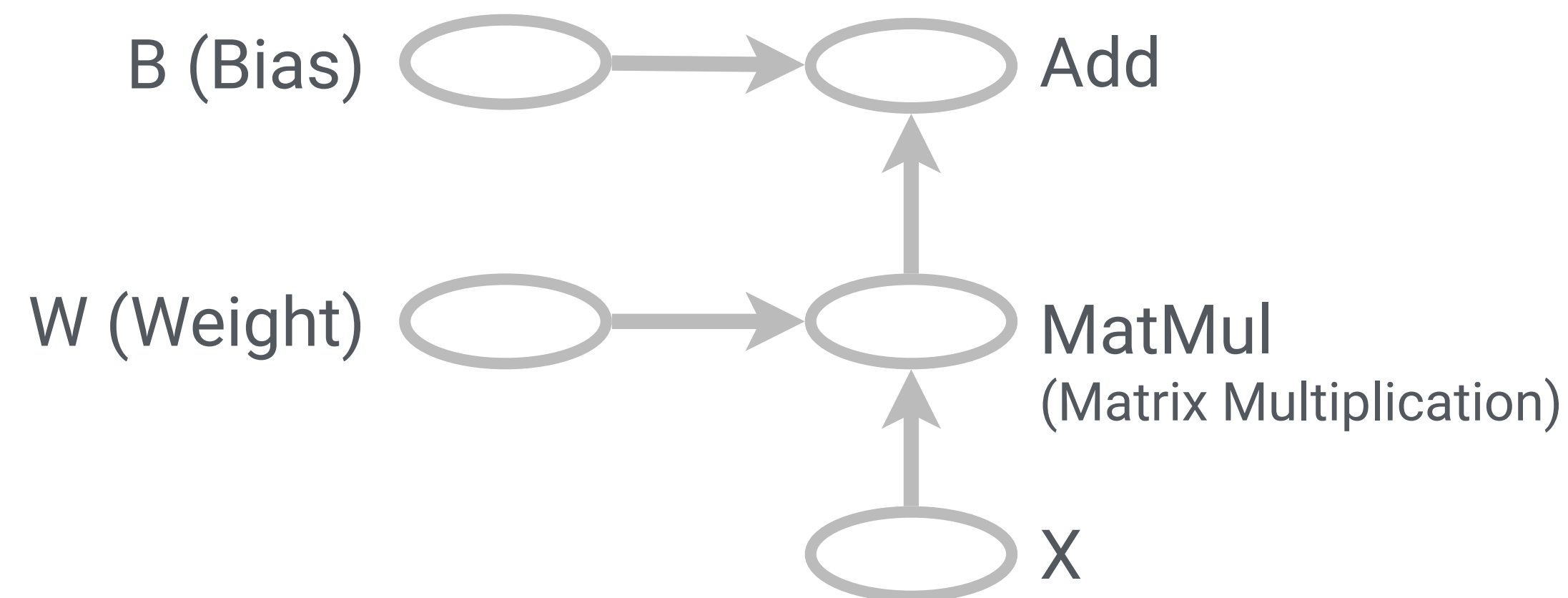
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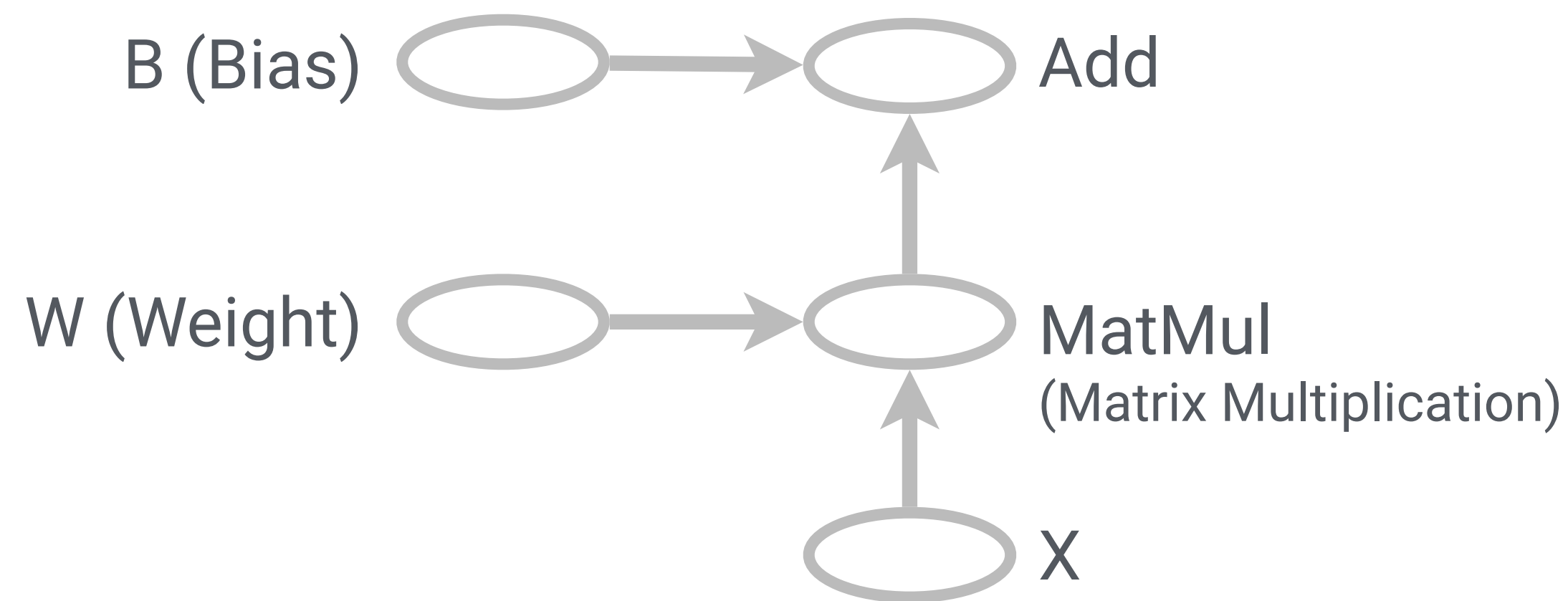
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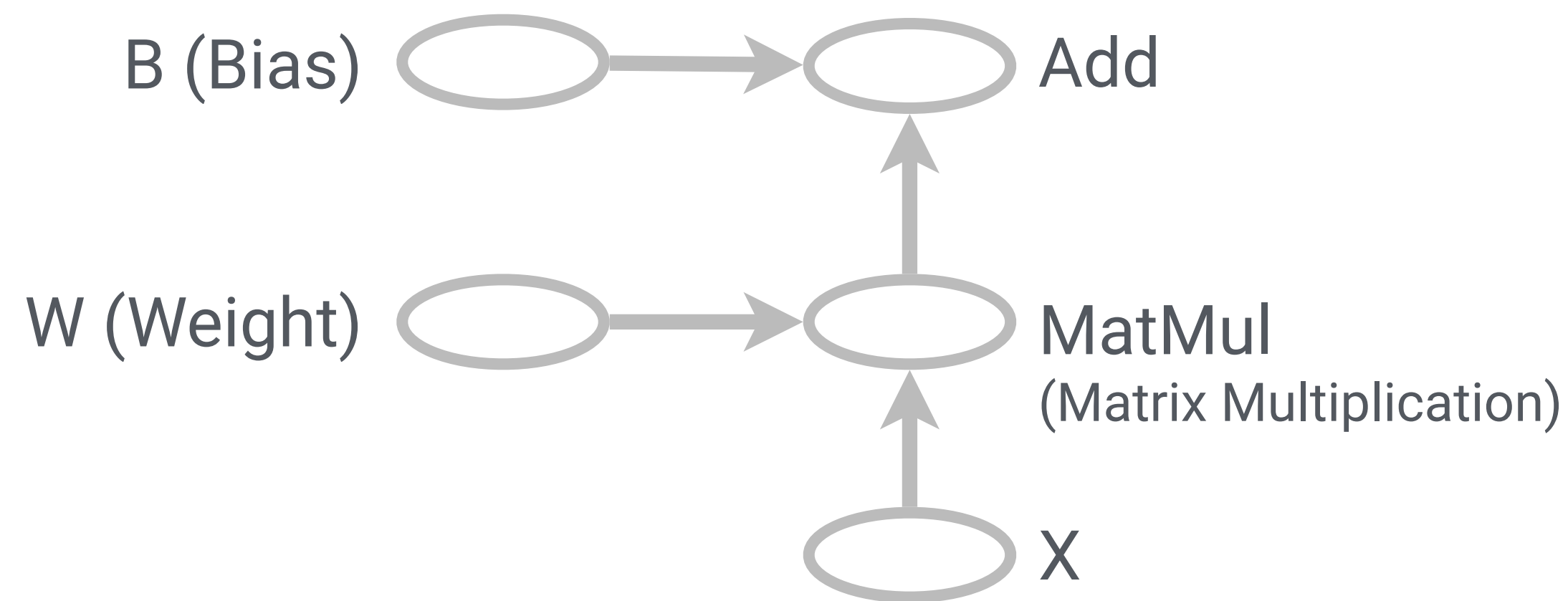
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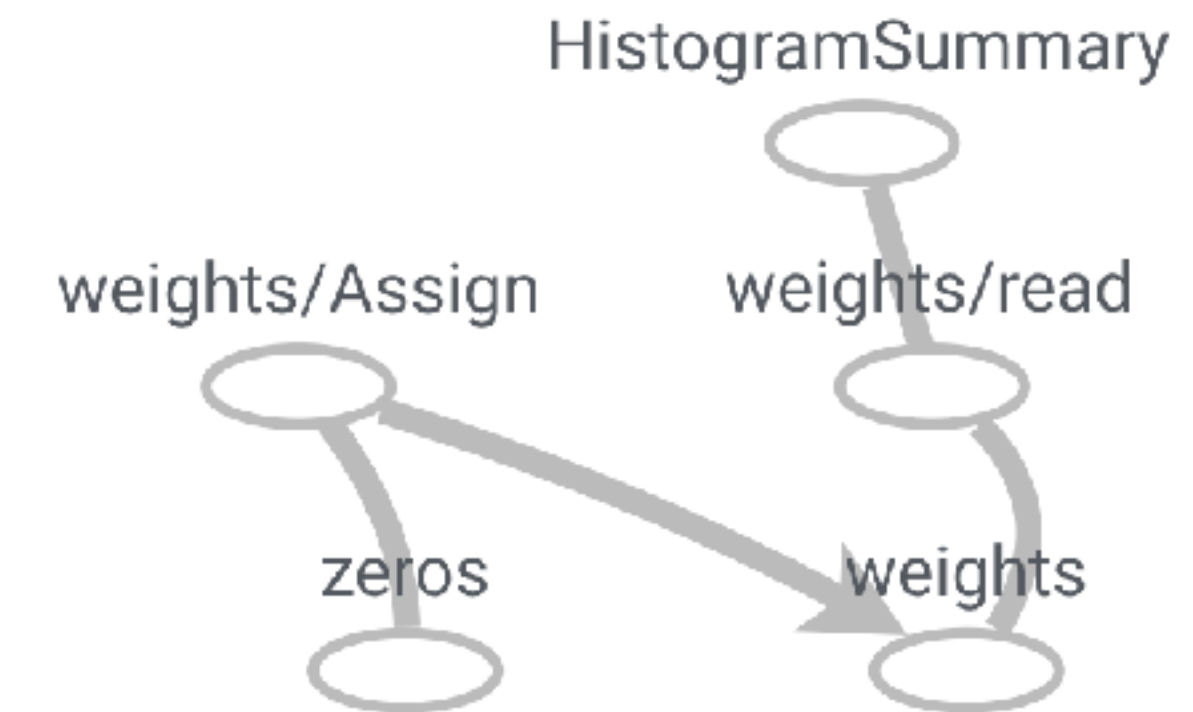
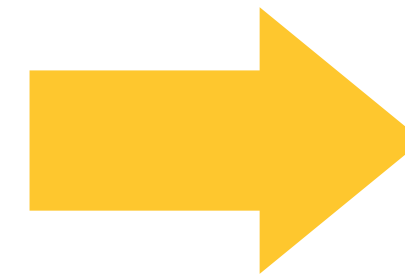
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multi-dimensional array (**tensors**)



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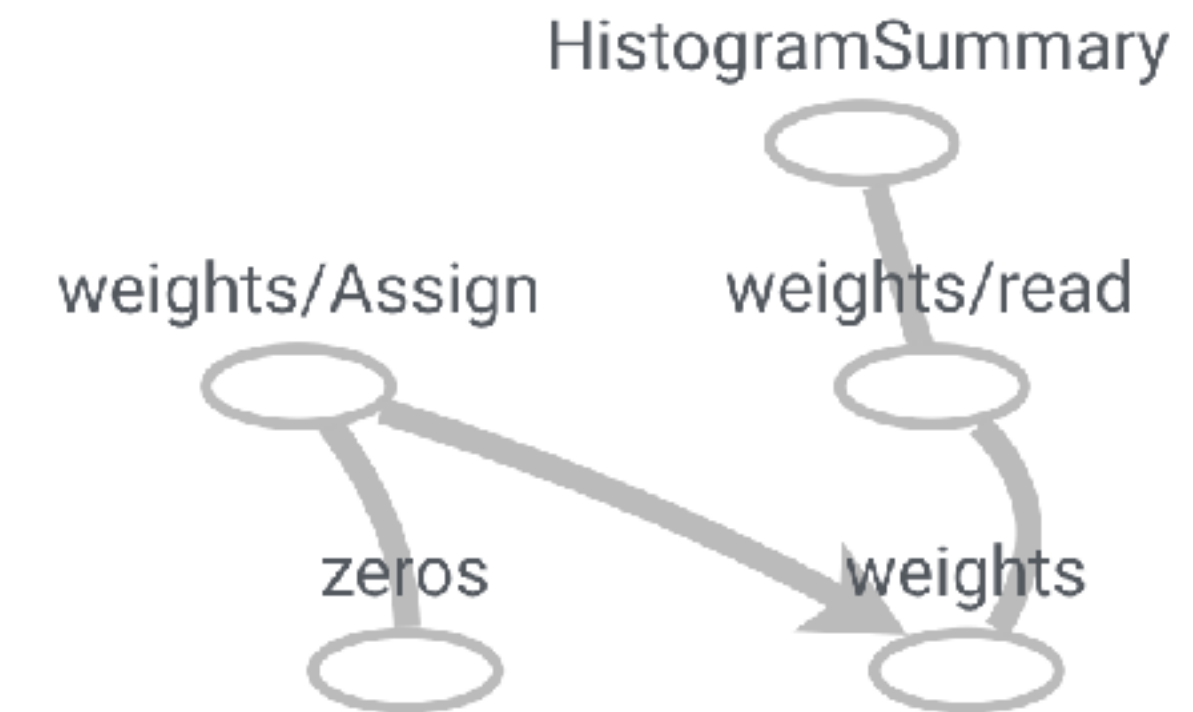
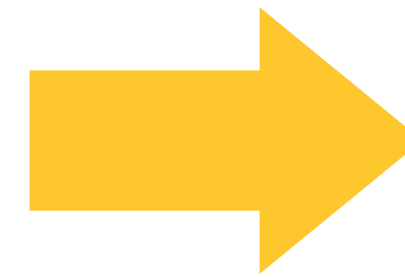


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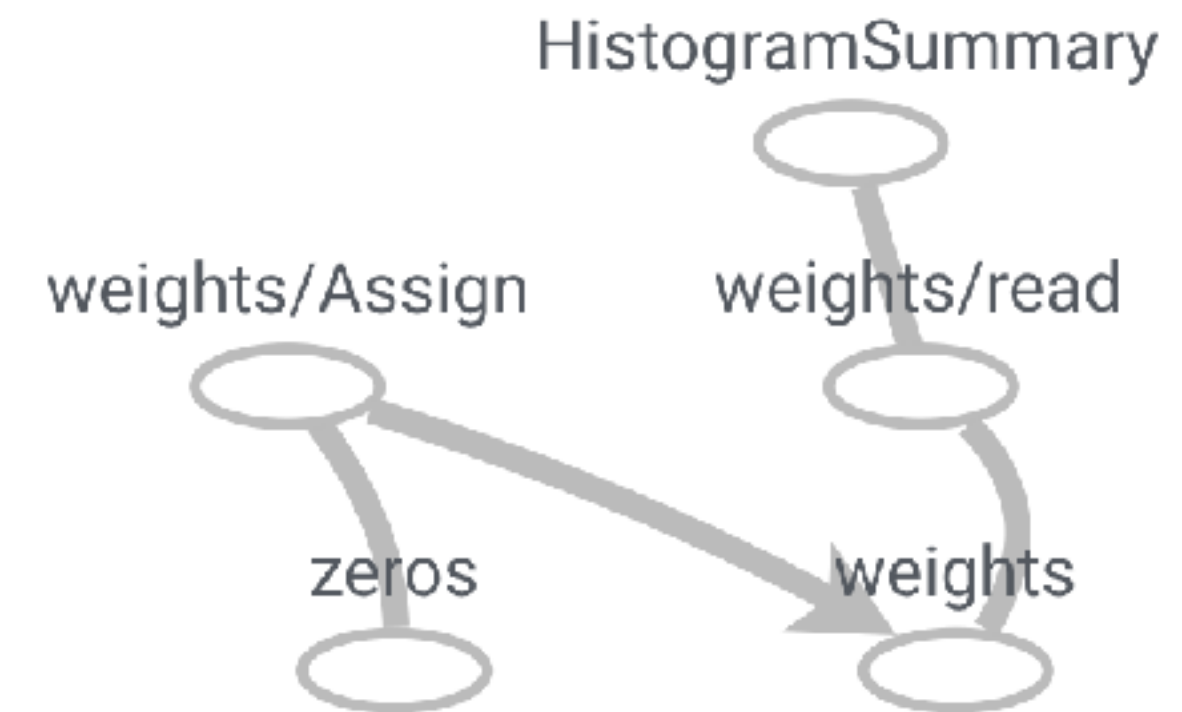
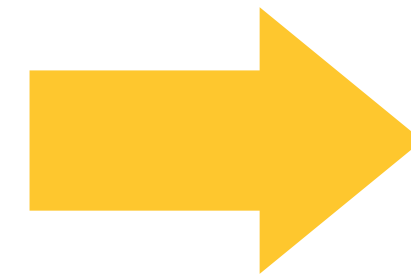
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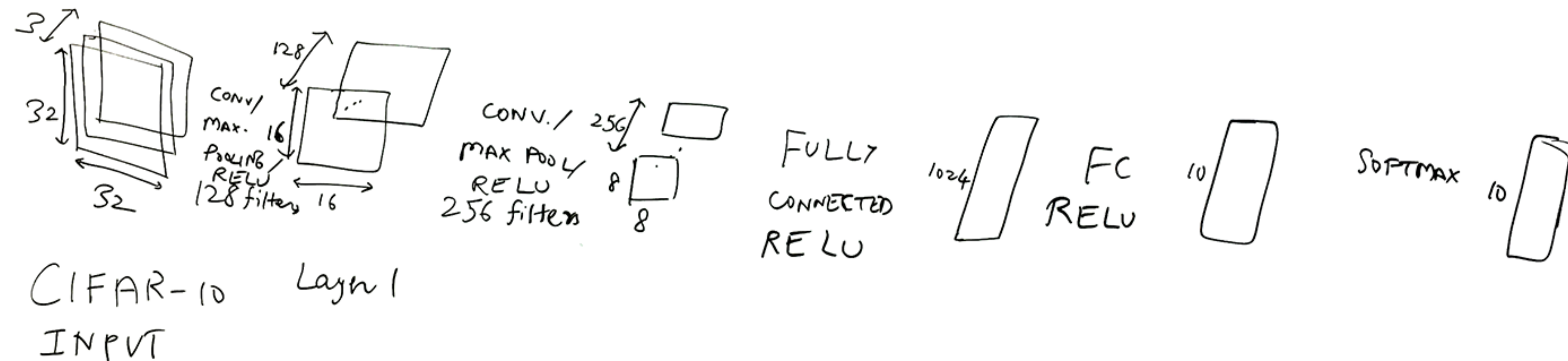


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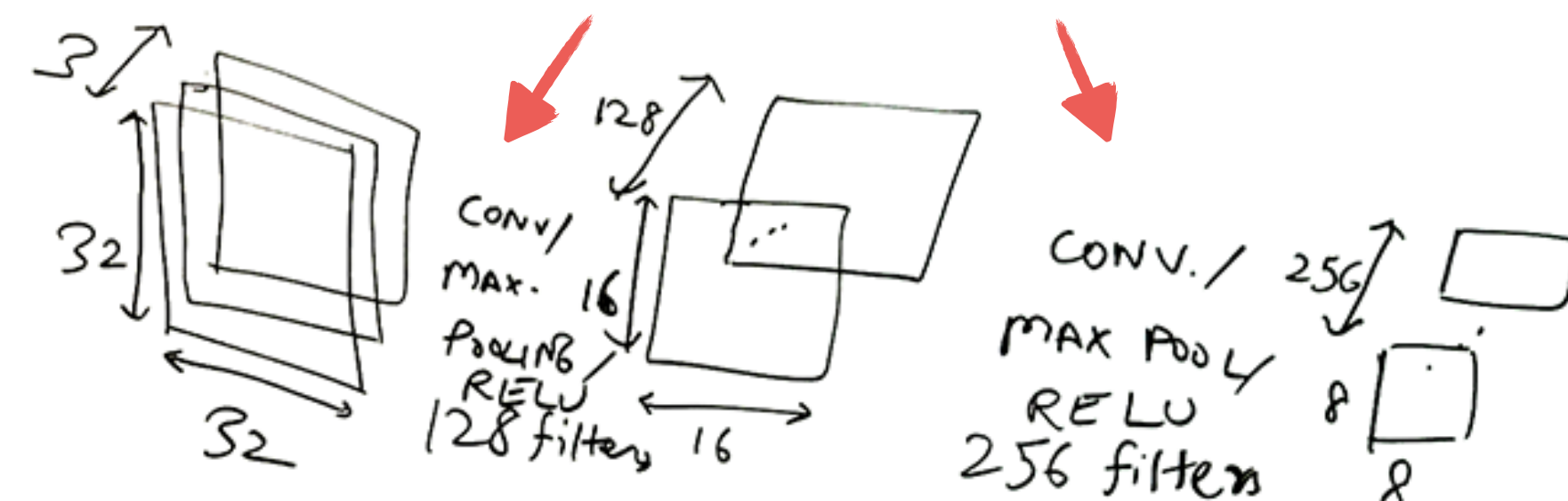
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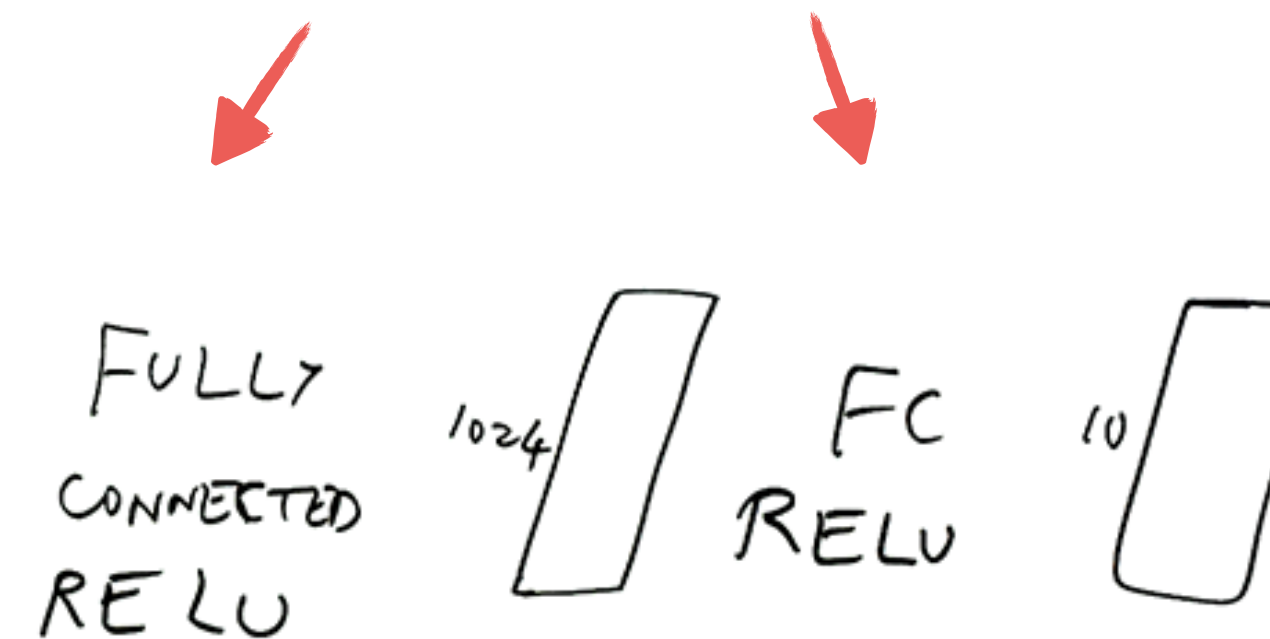
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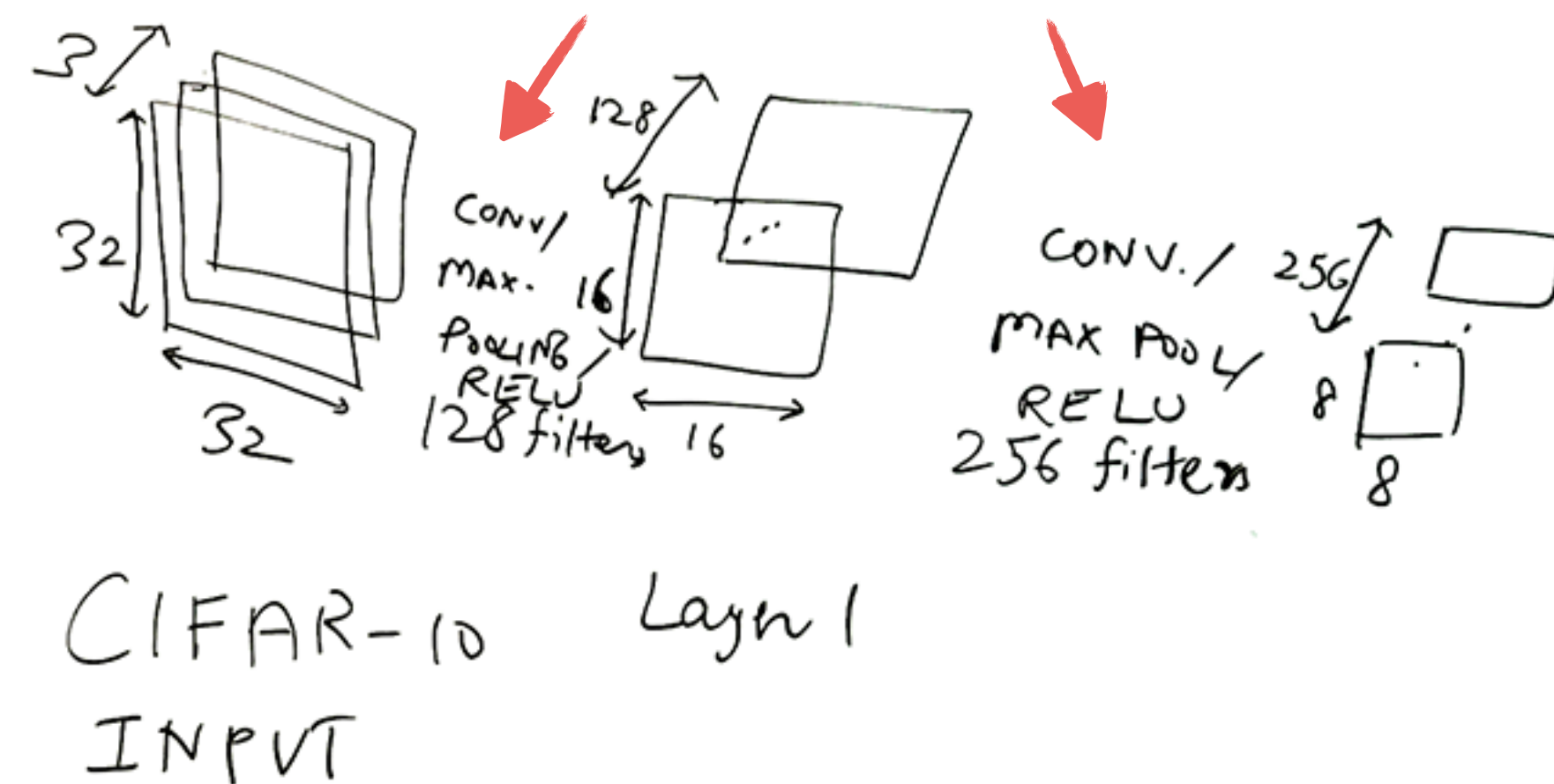
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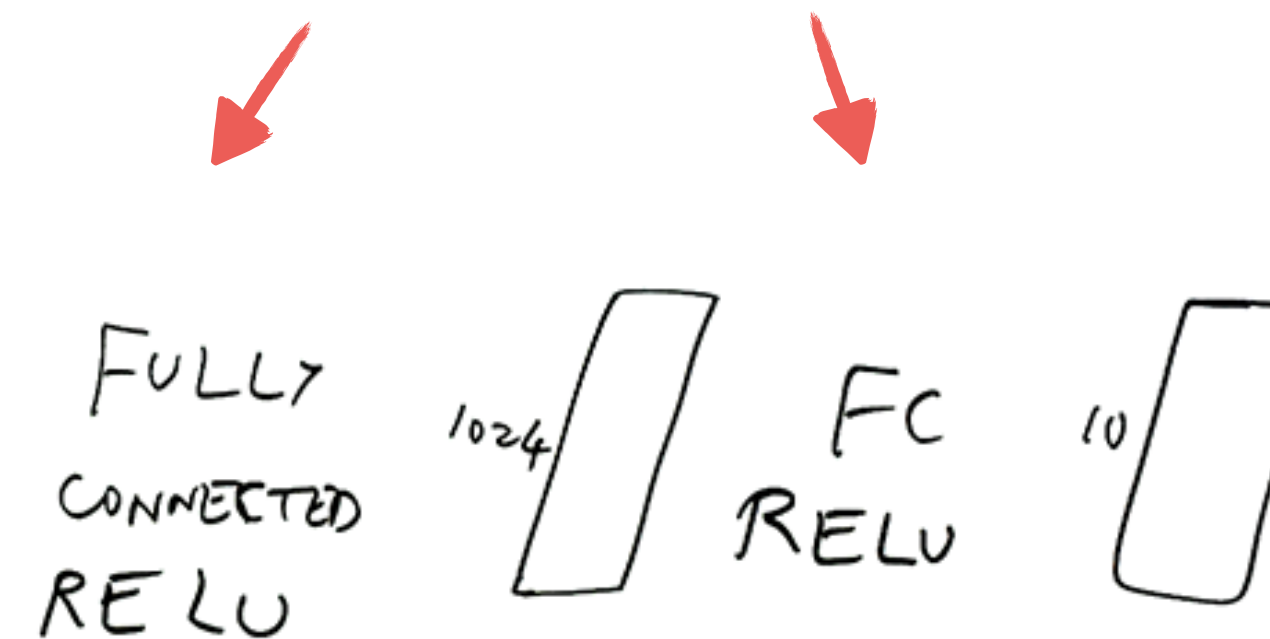
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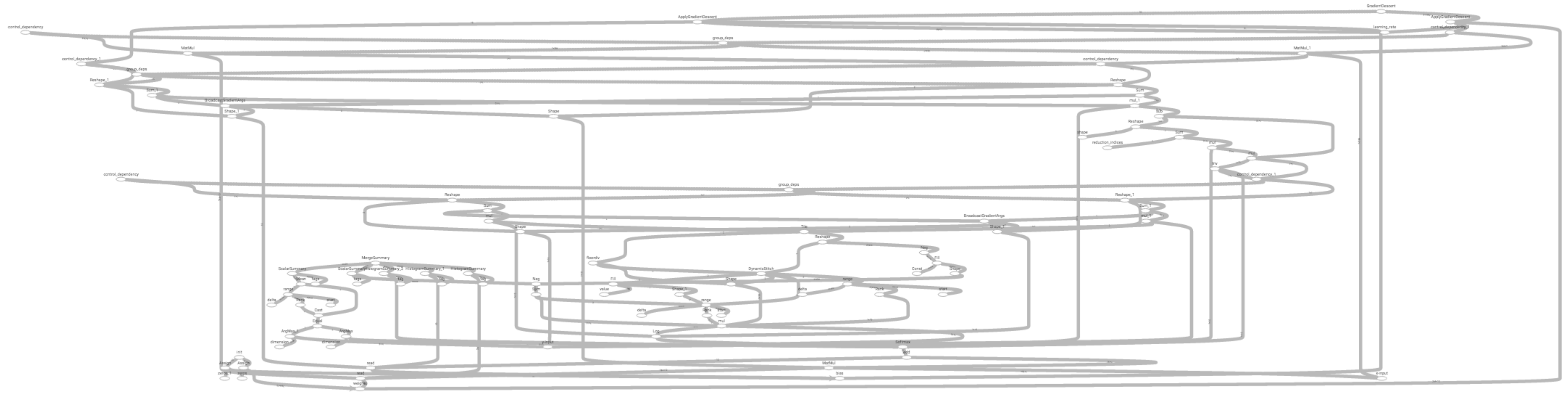
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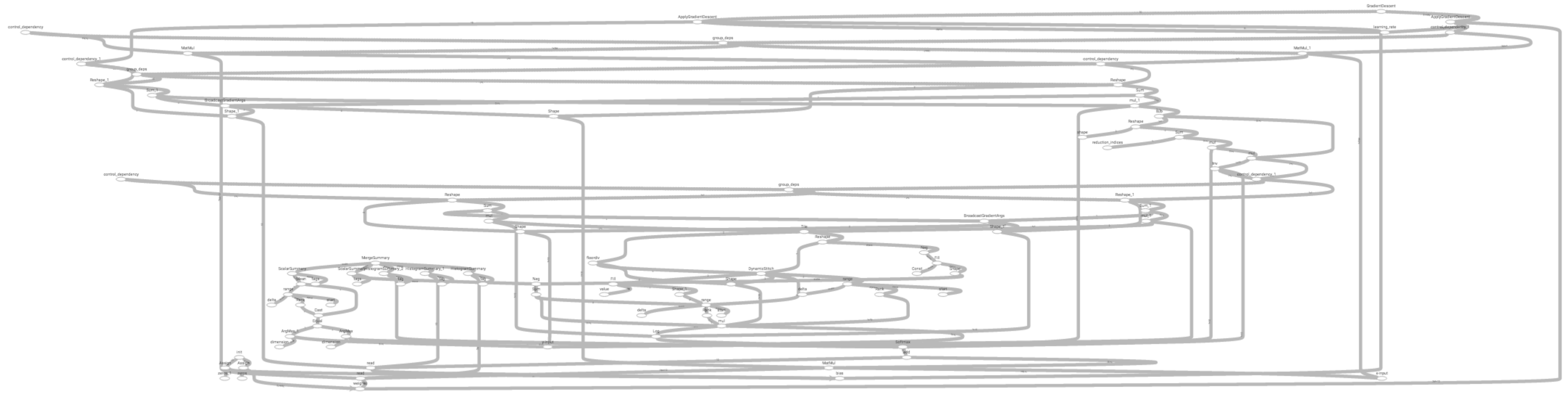
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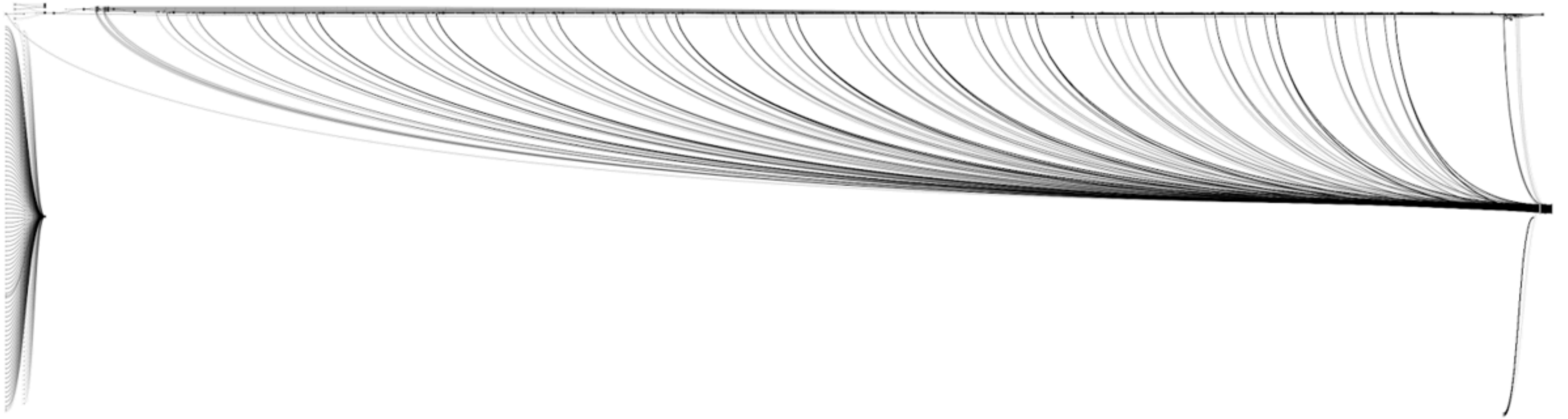
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TensorFlow's "Hello World"!

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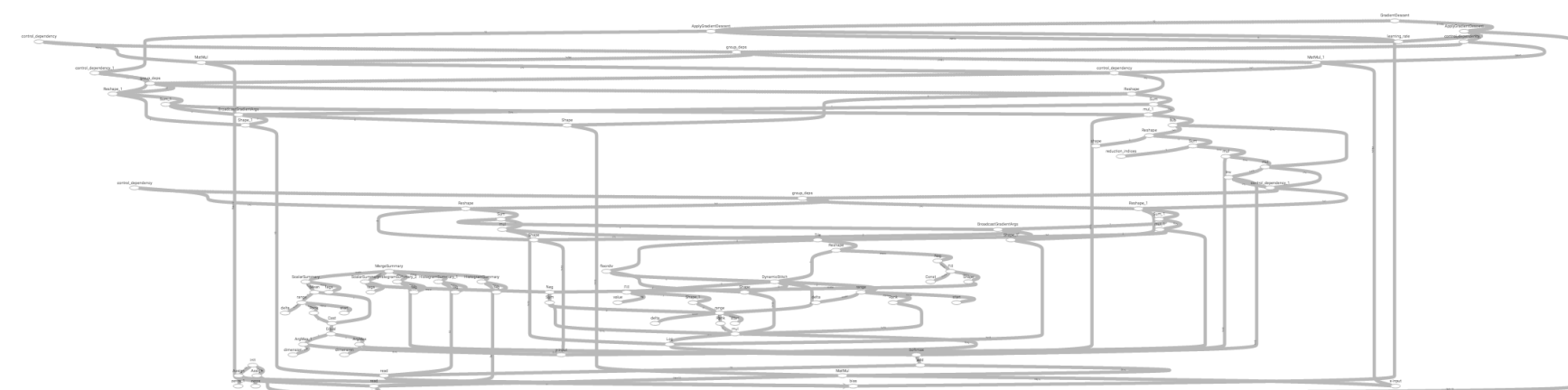
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Help TensorFlow developers understand
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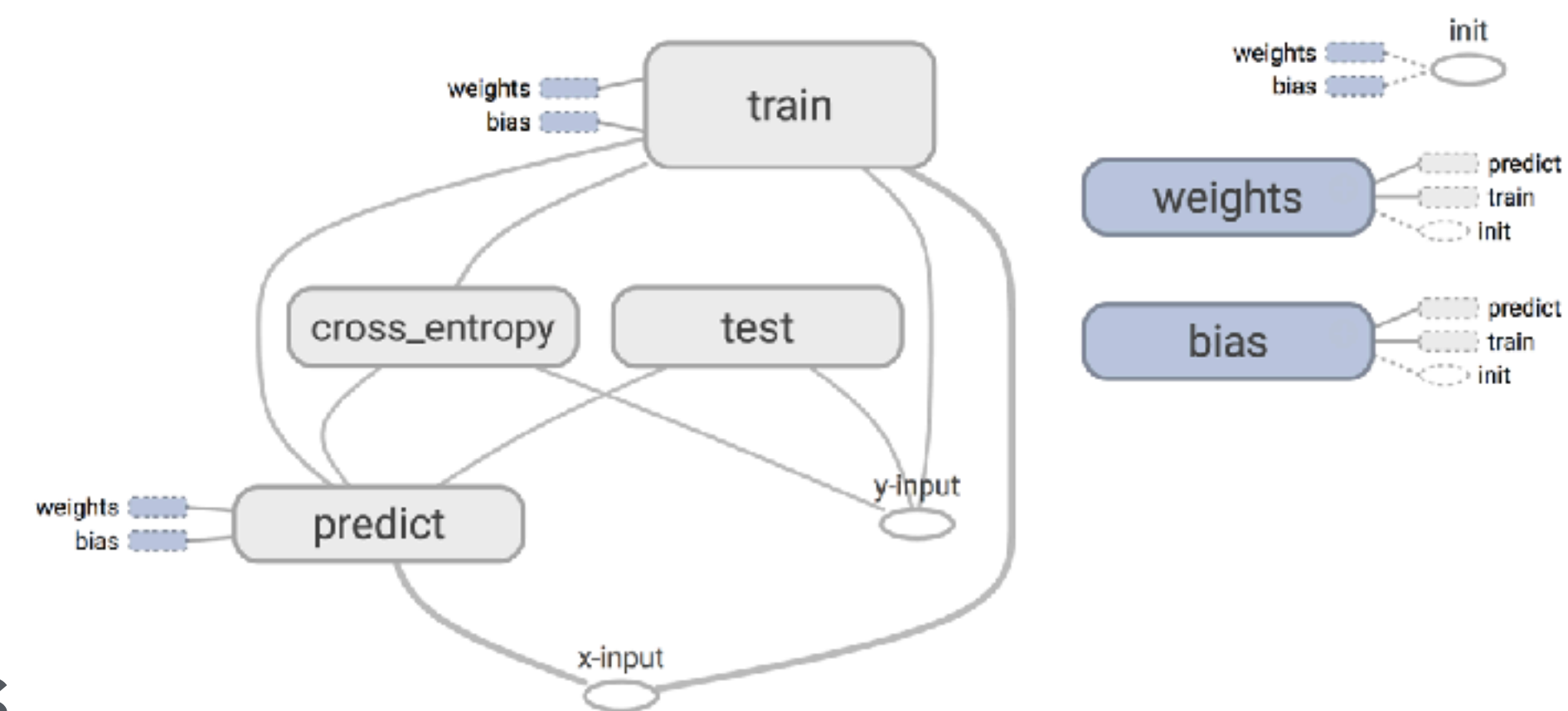
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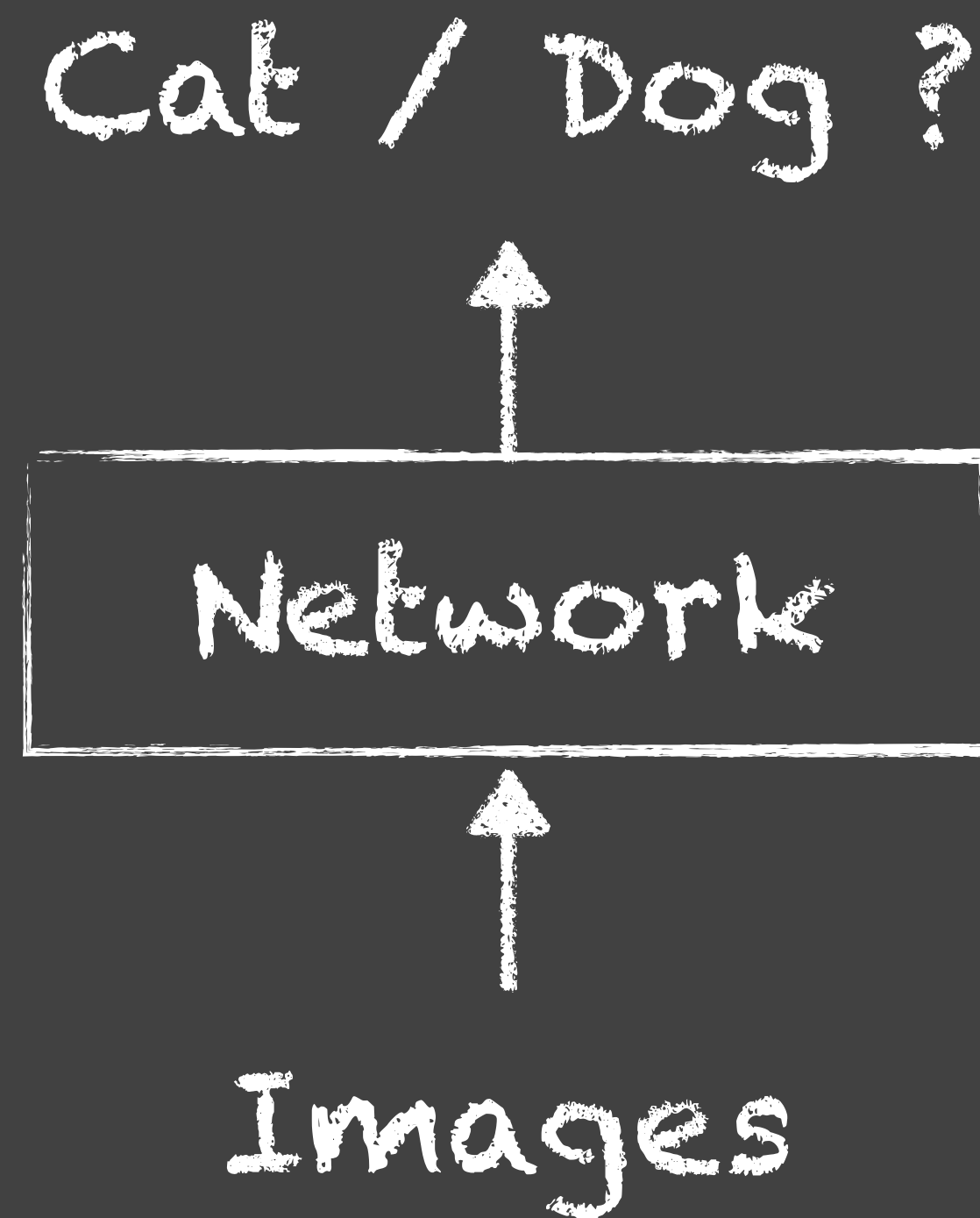
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Usage Pattern & Feedback



A dataflow for
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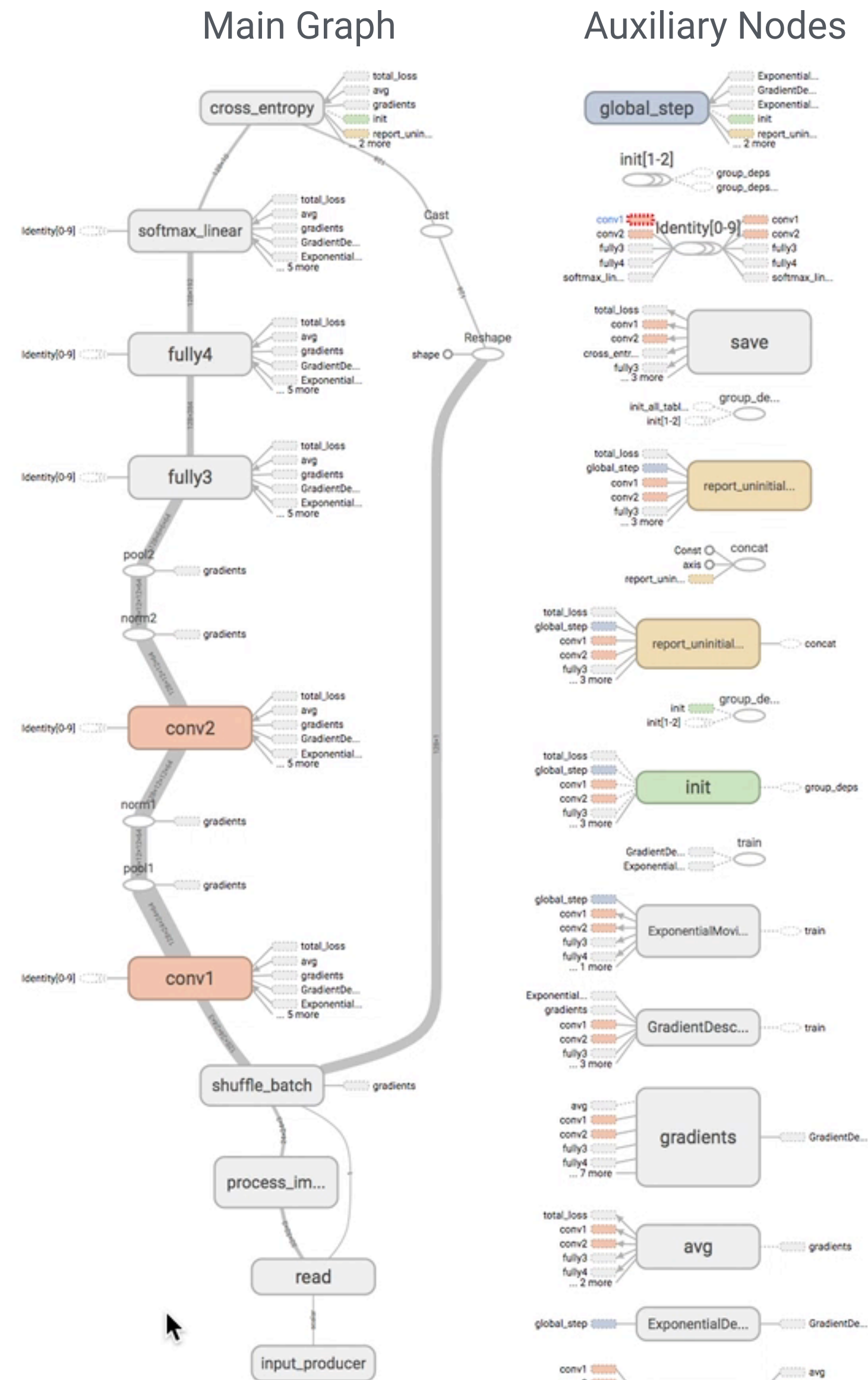
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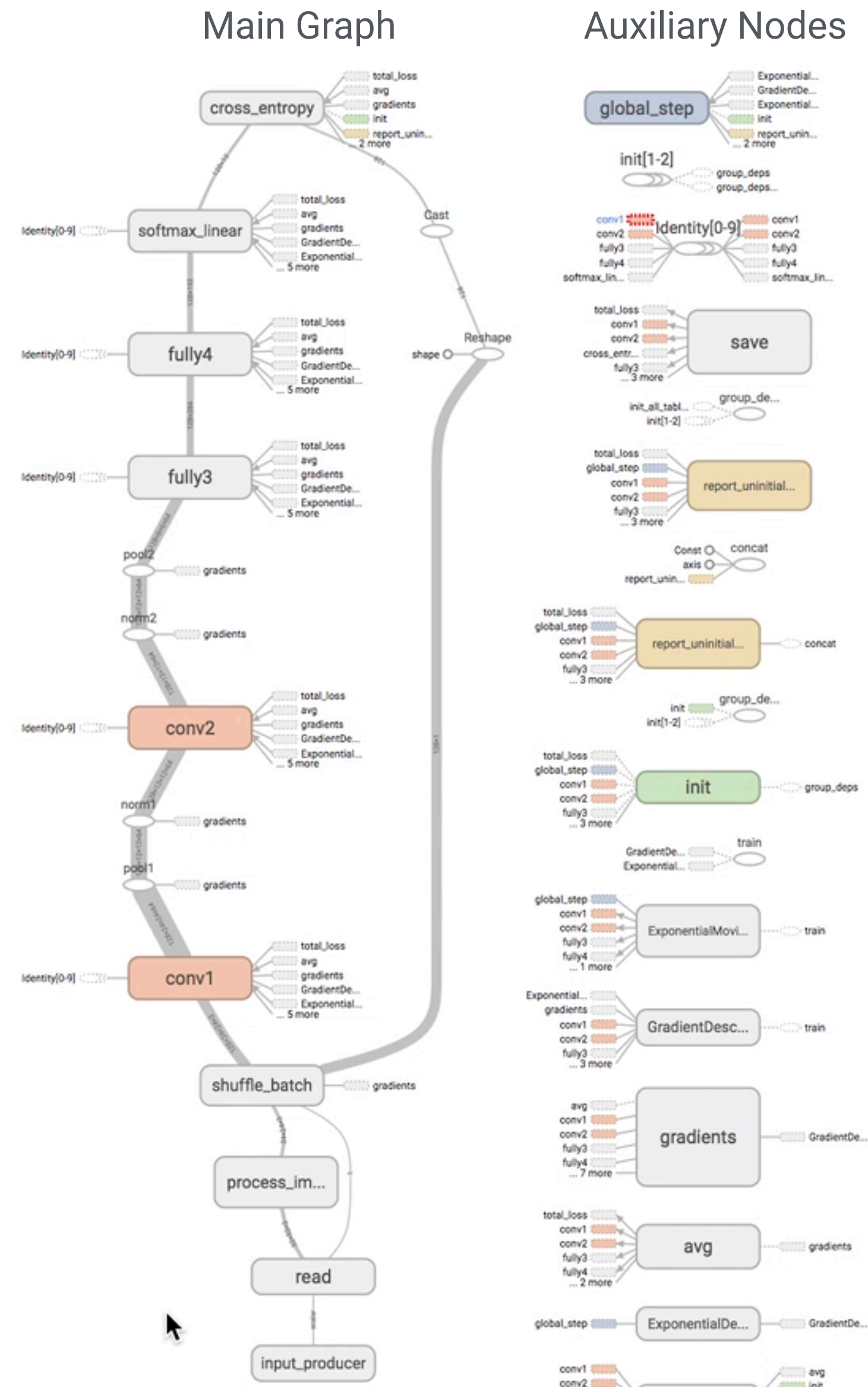
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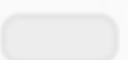






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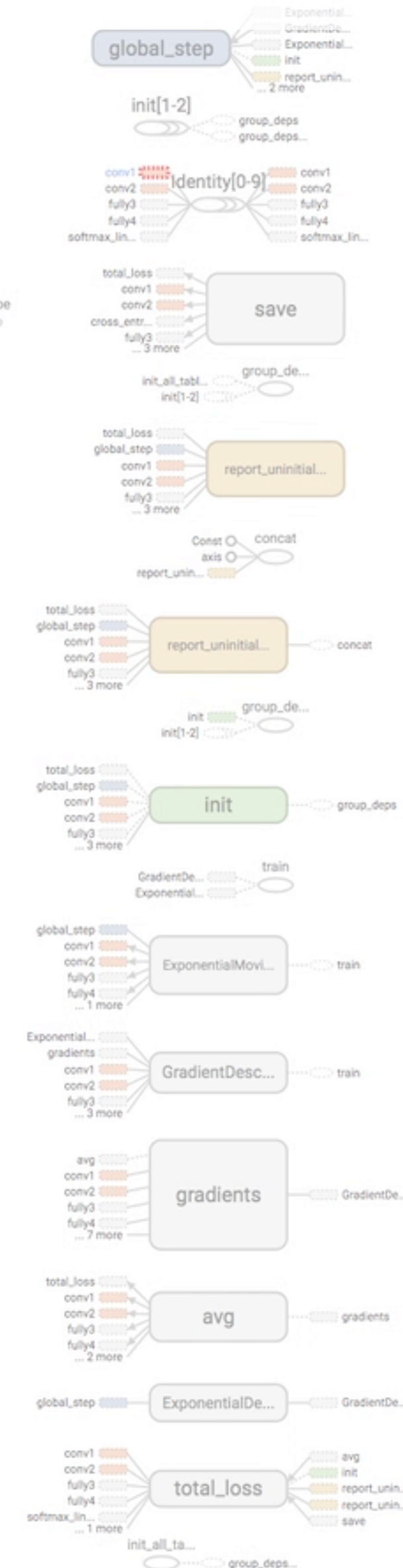
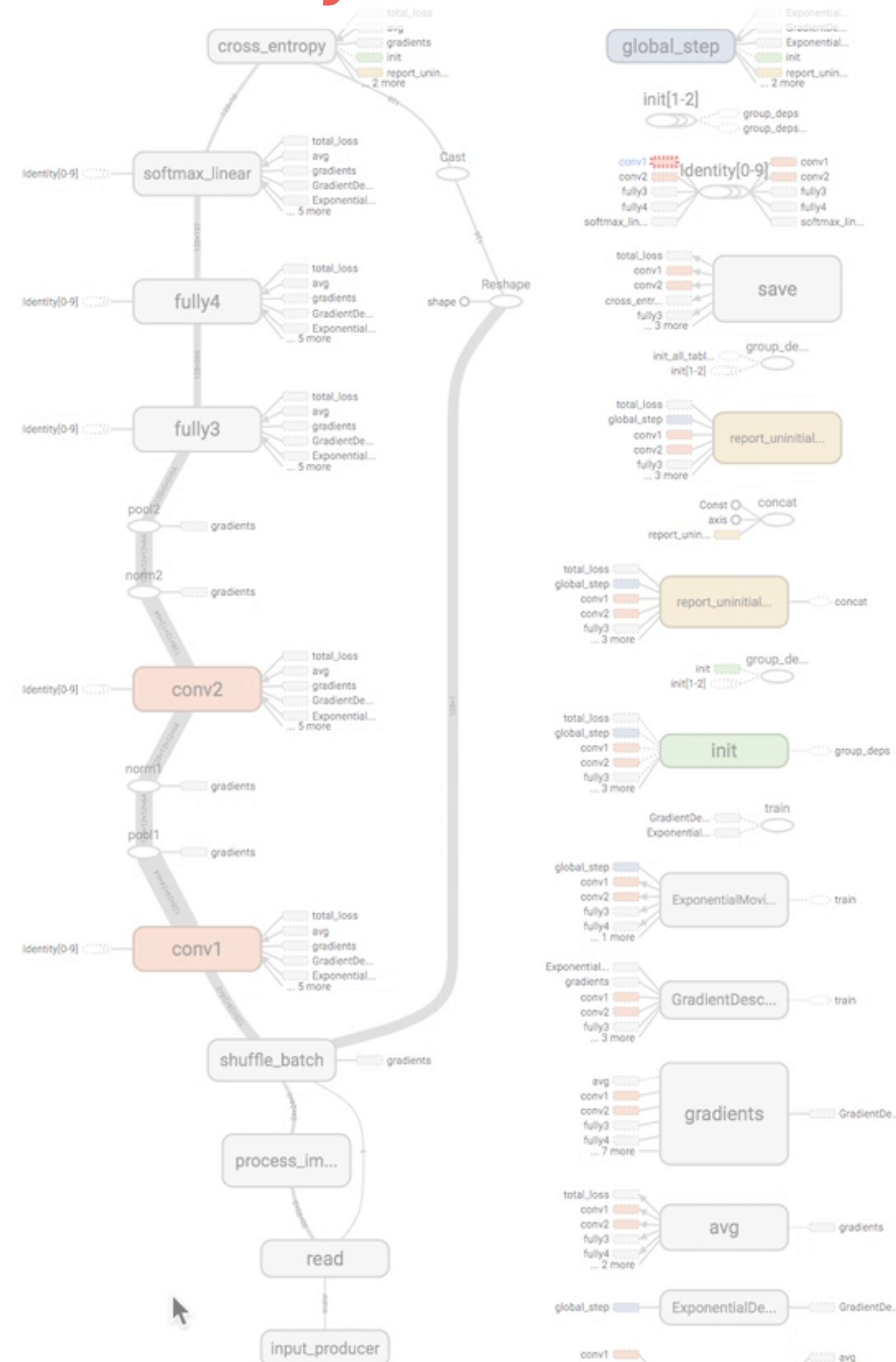
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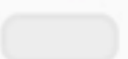






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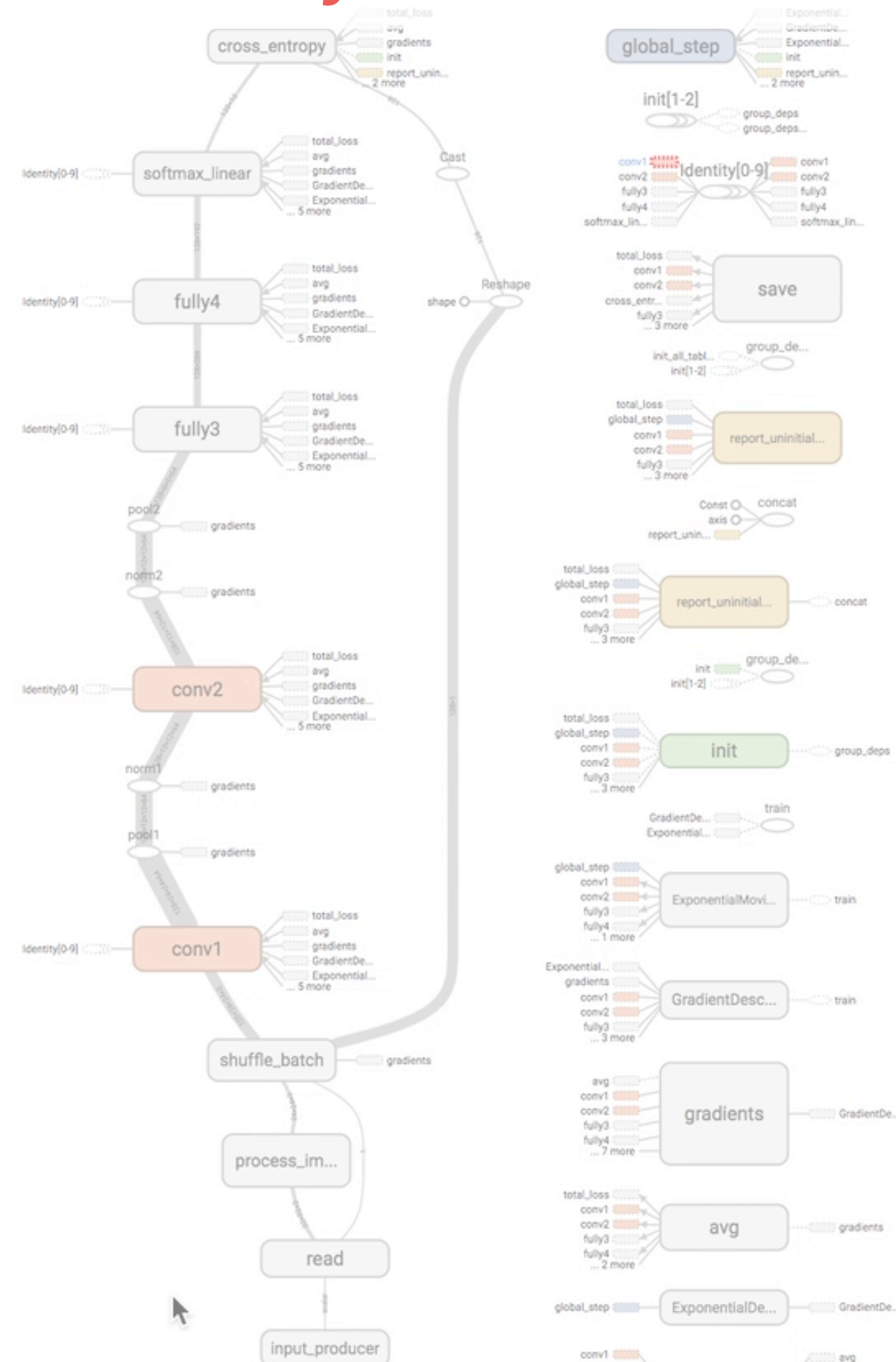
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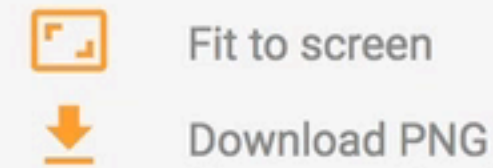
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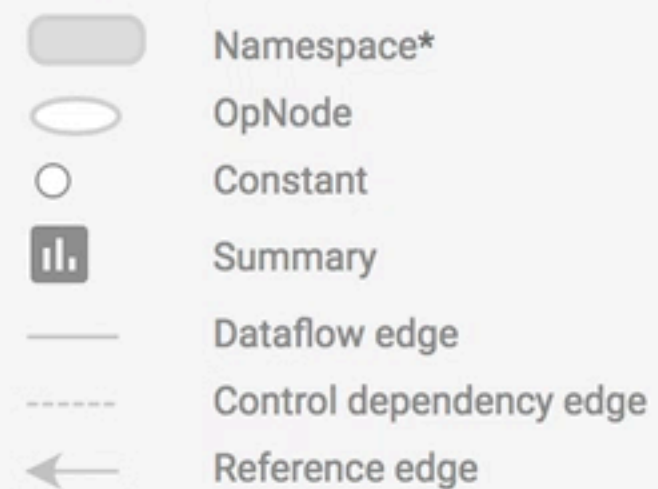


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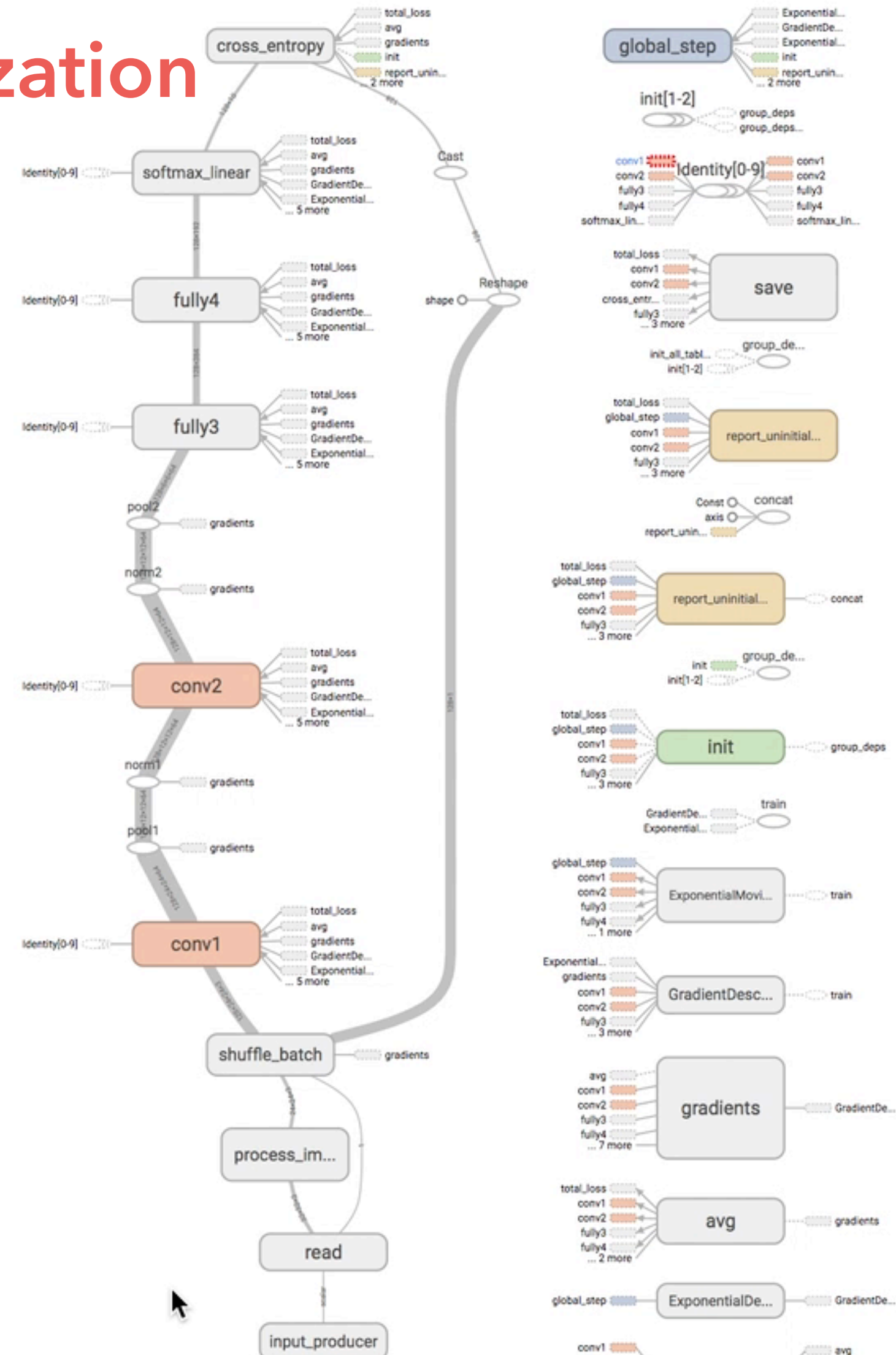
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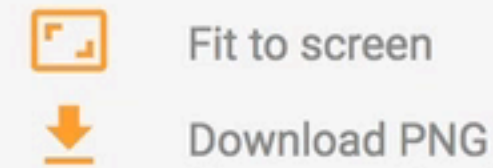
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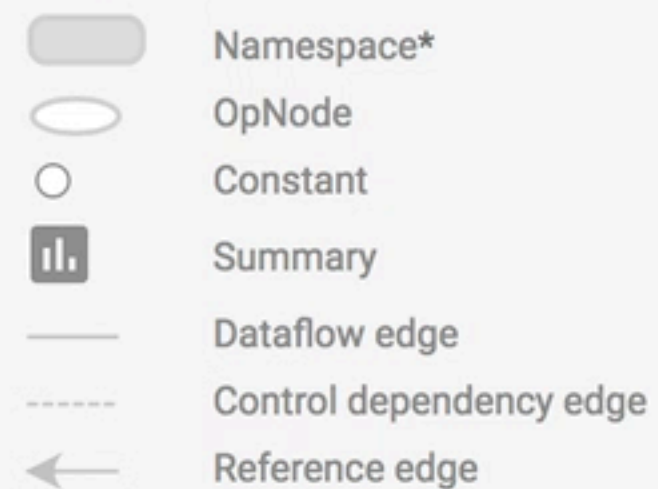


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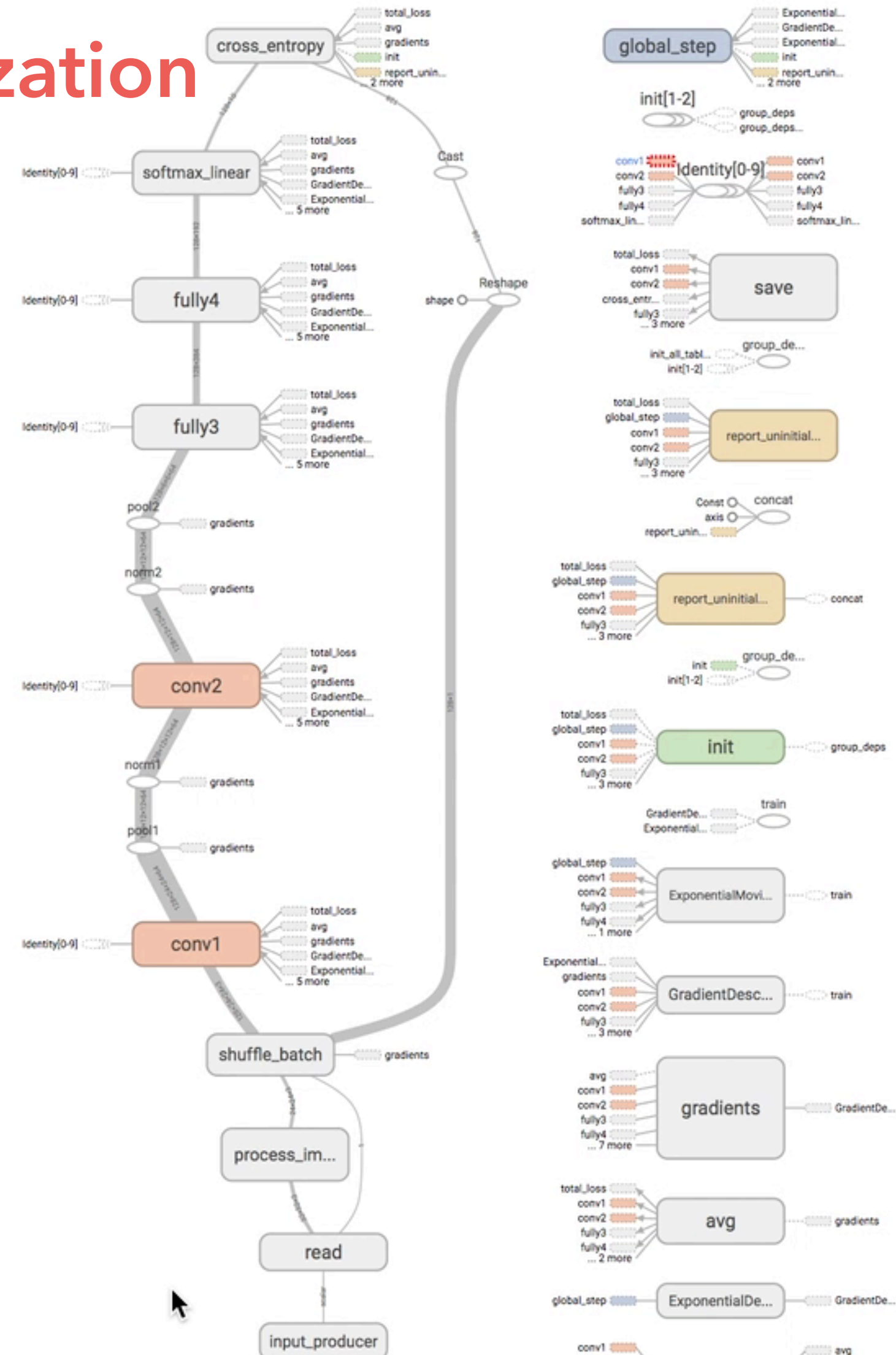
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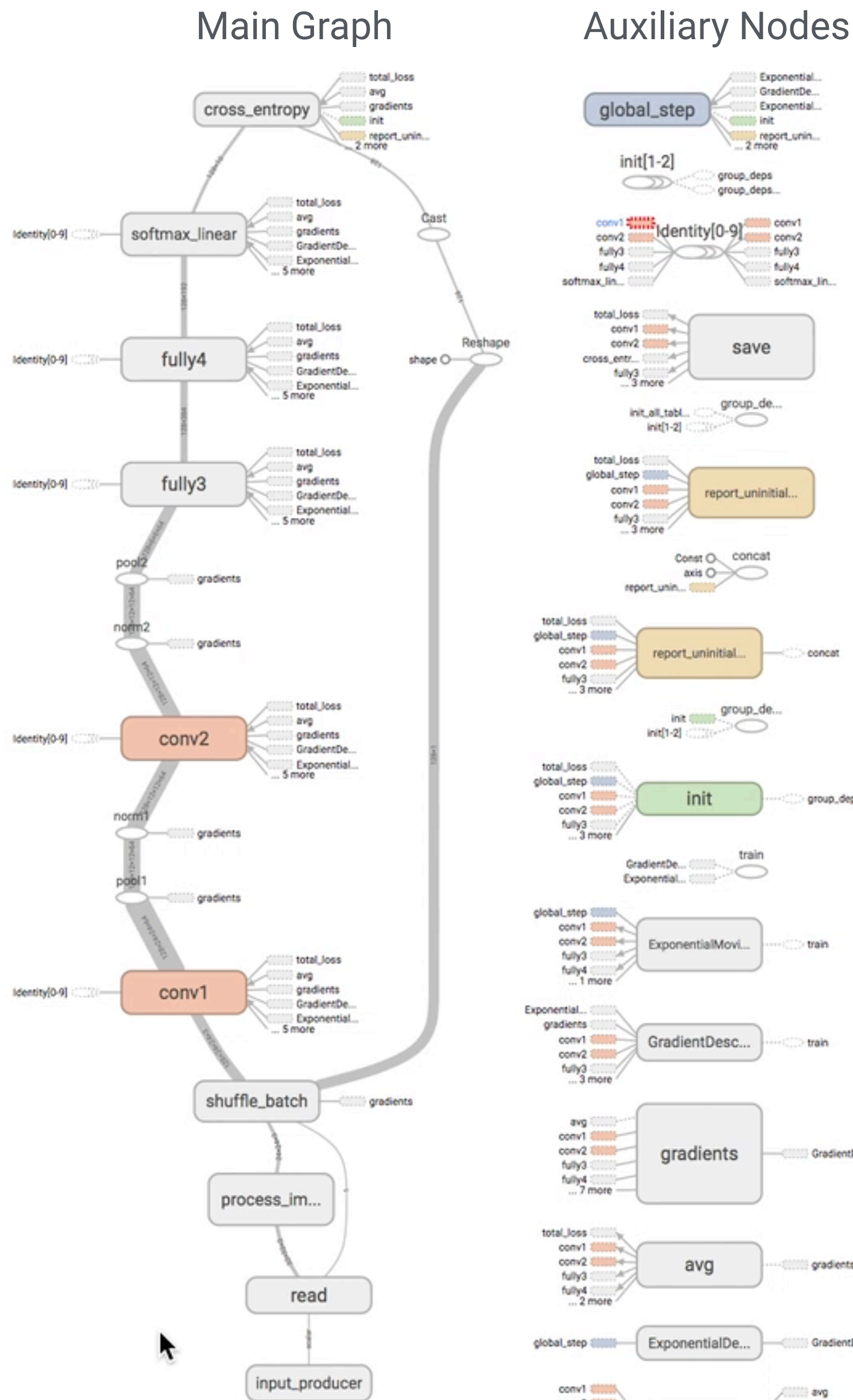
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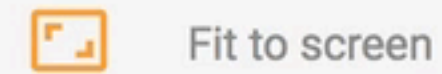
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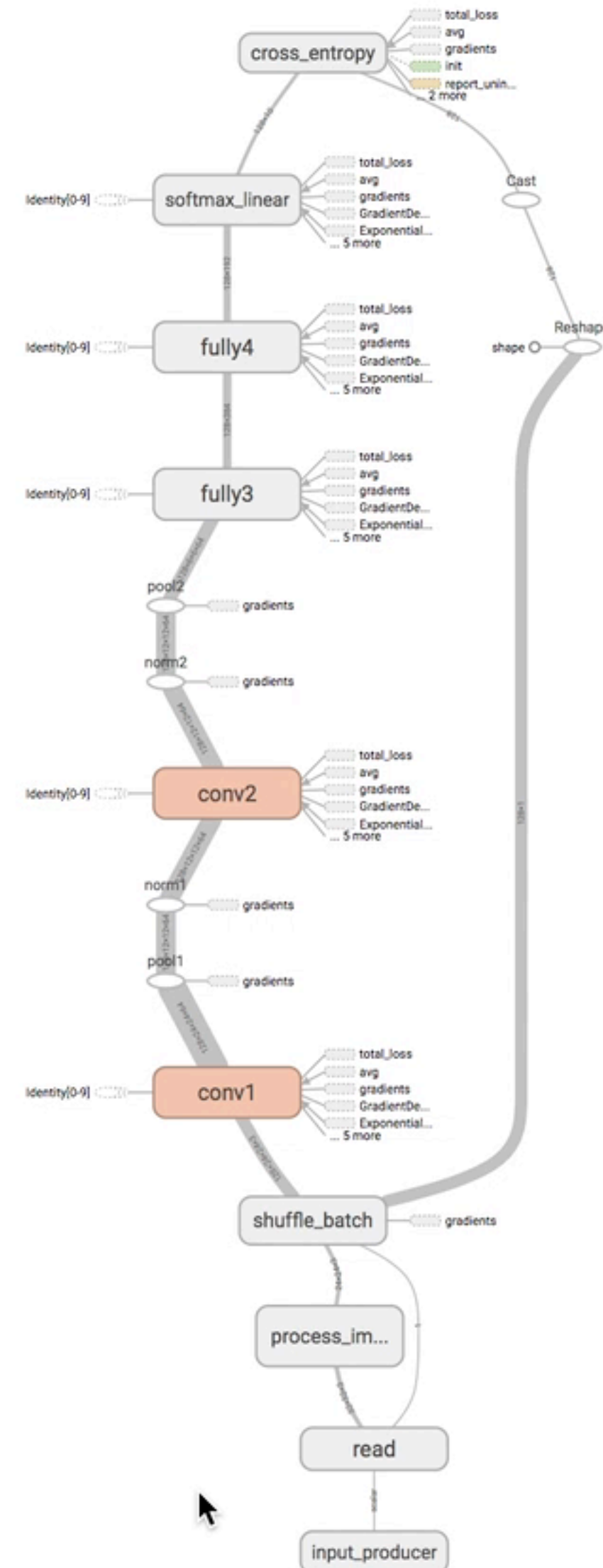


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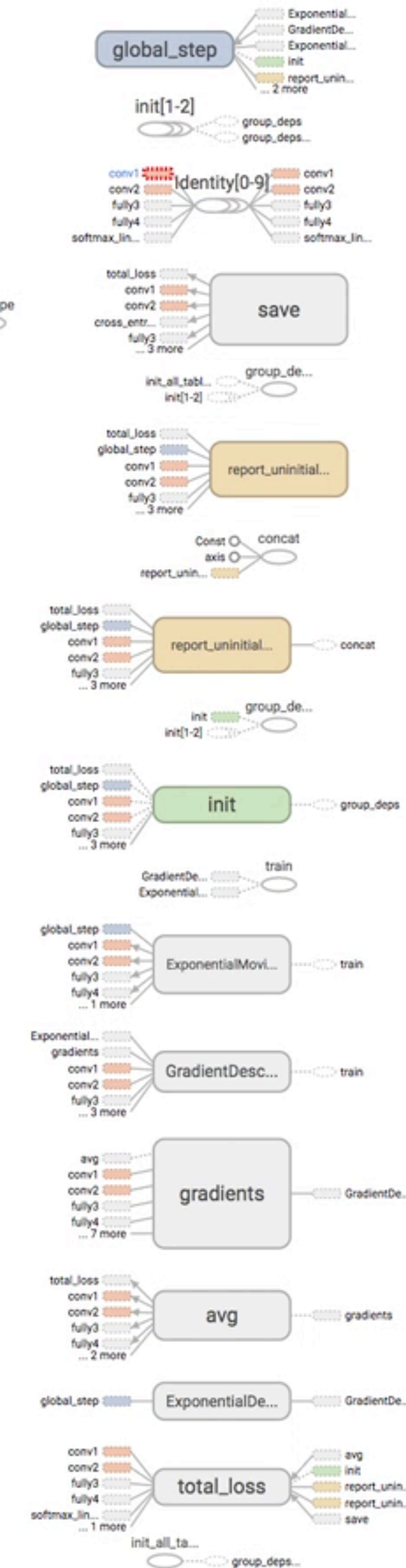


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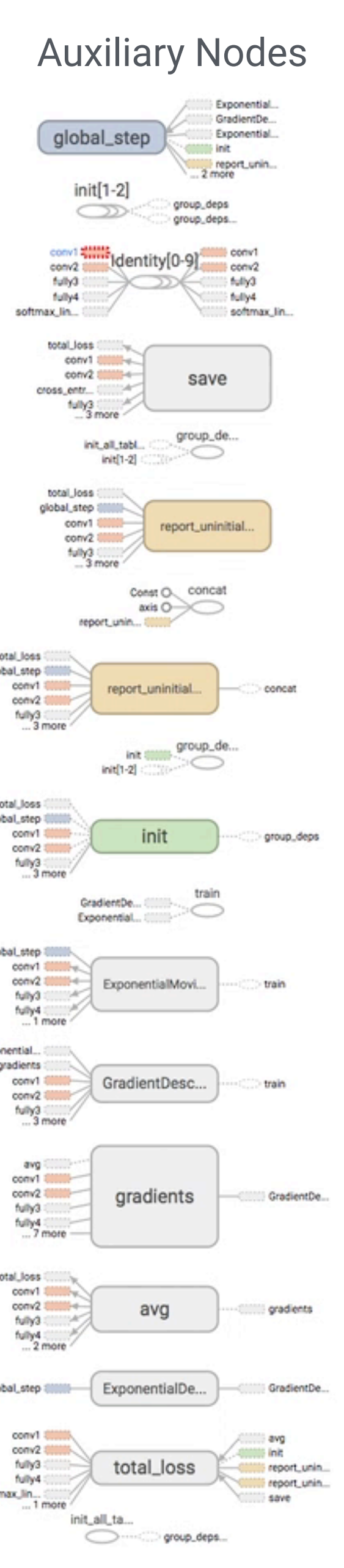
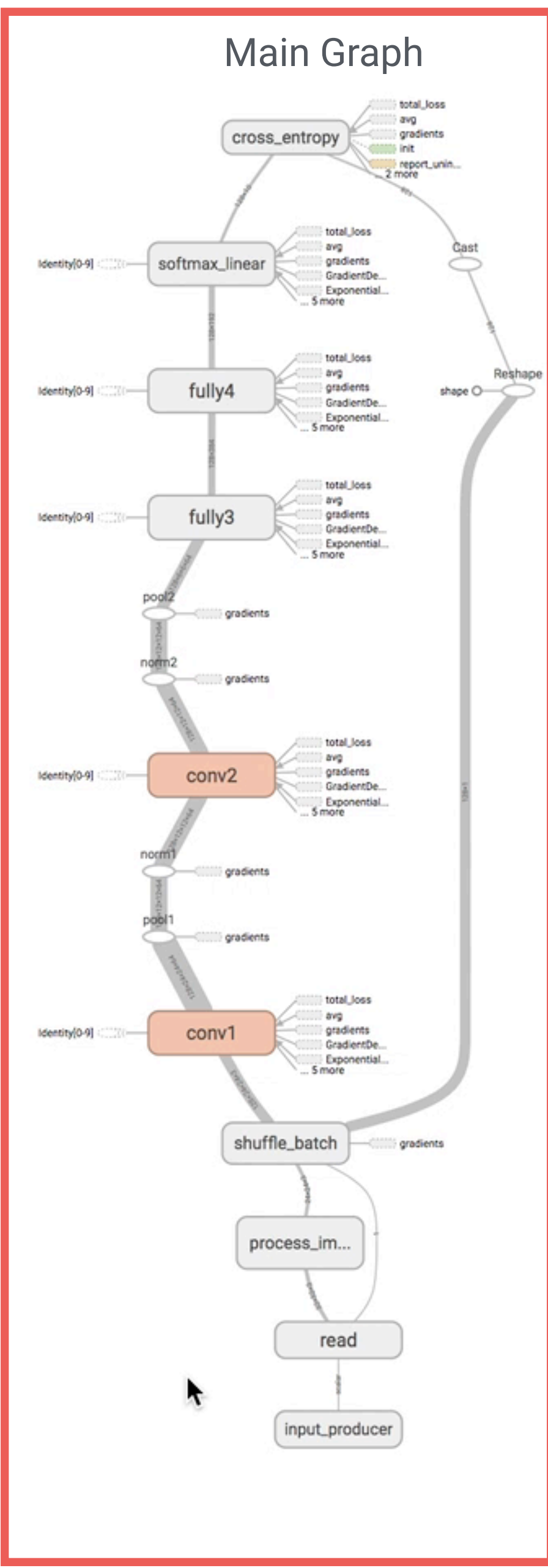
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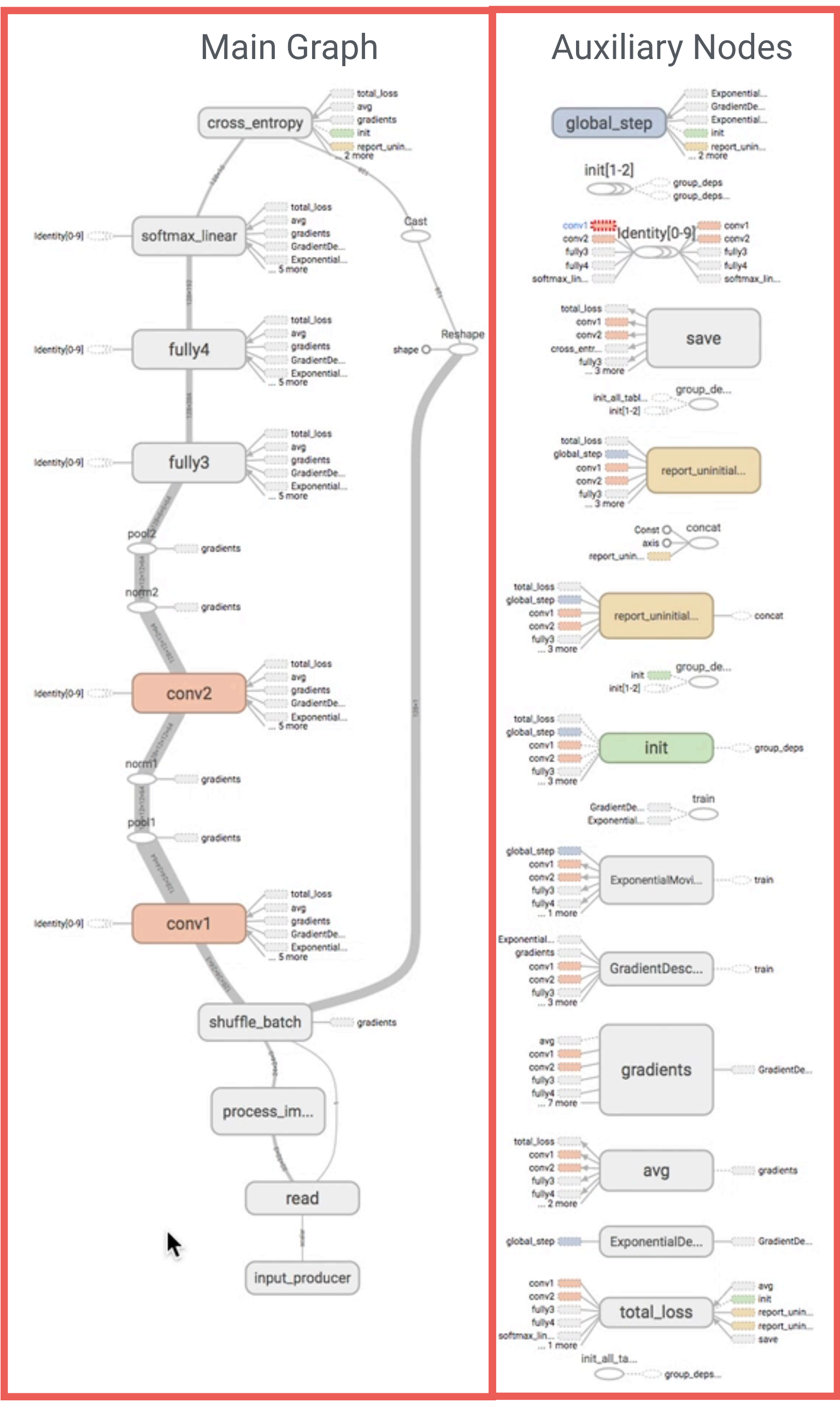
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Auxiliary Nodes
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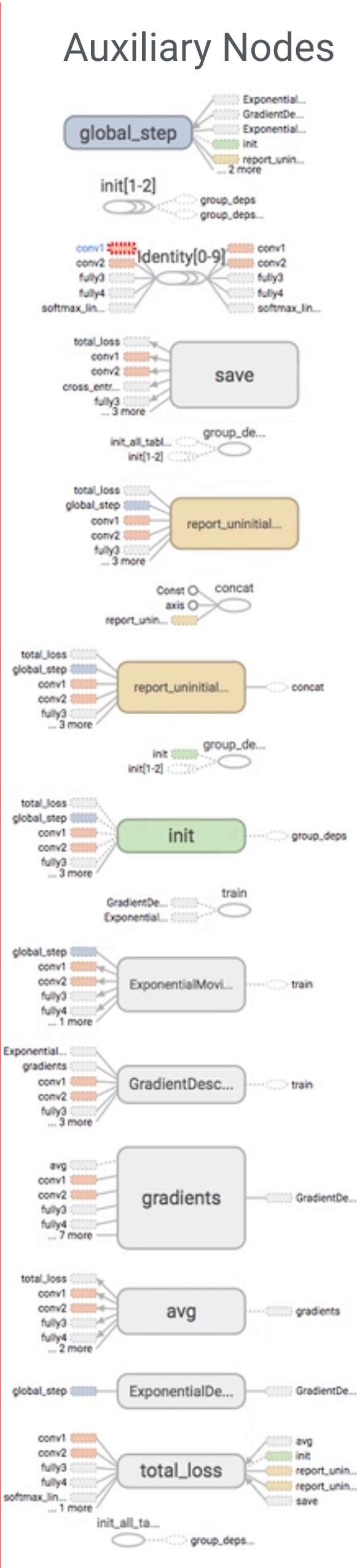
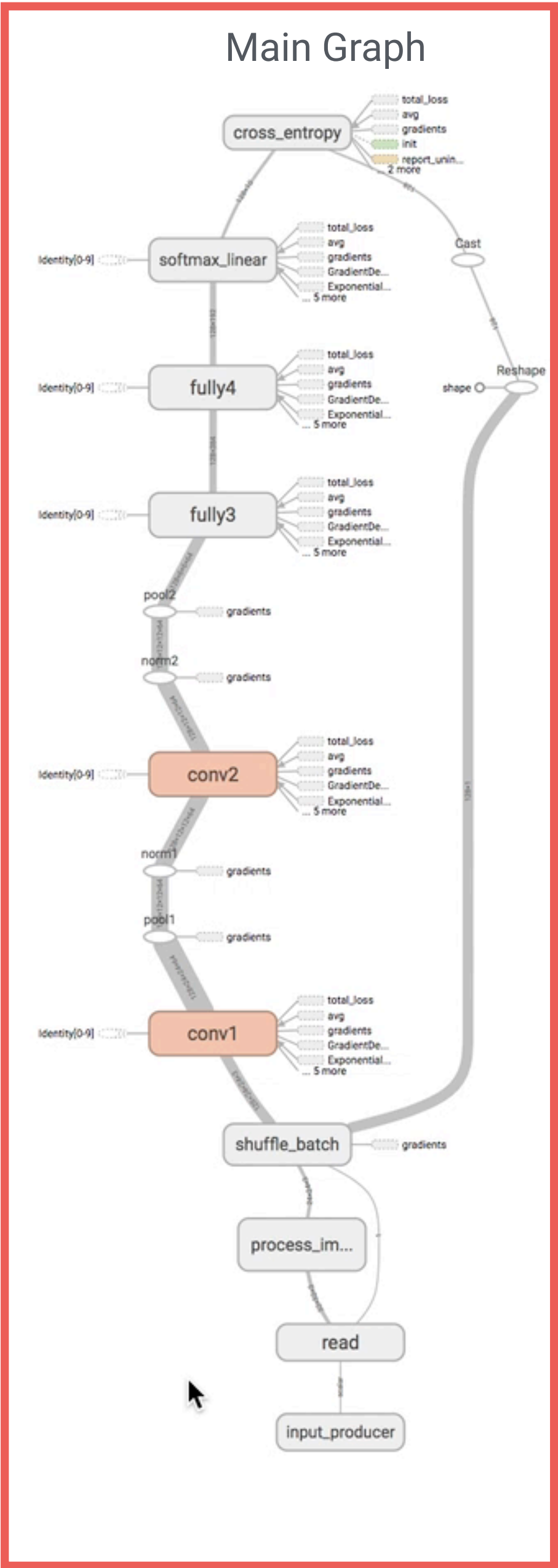
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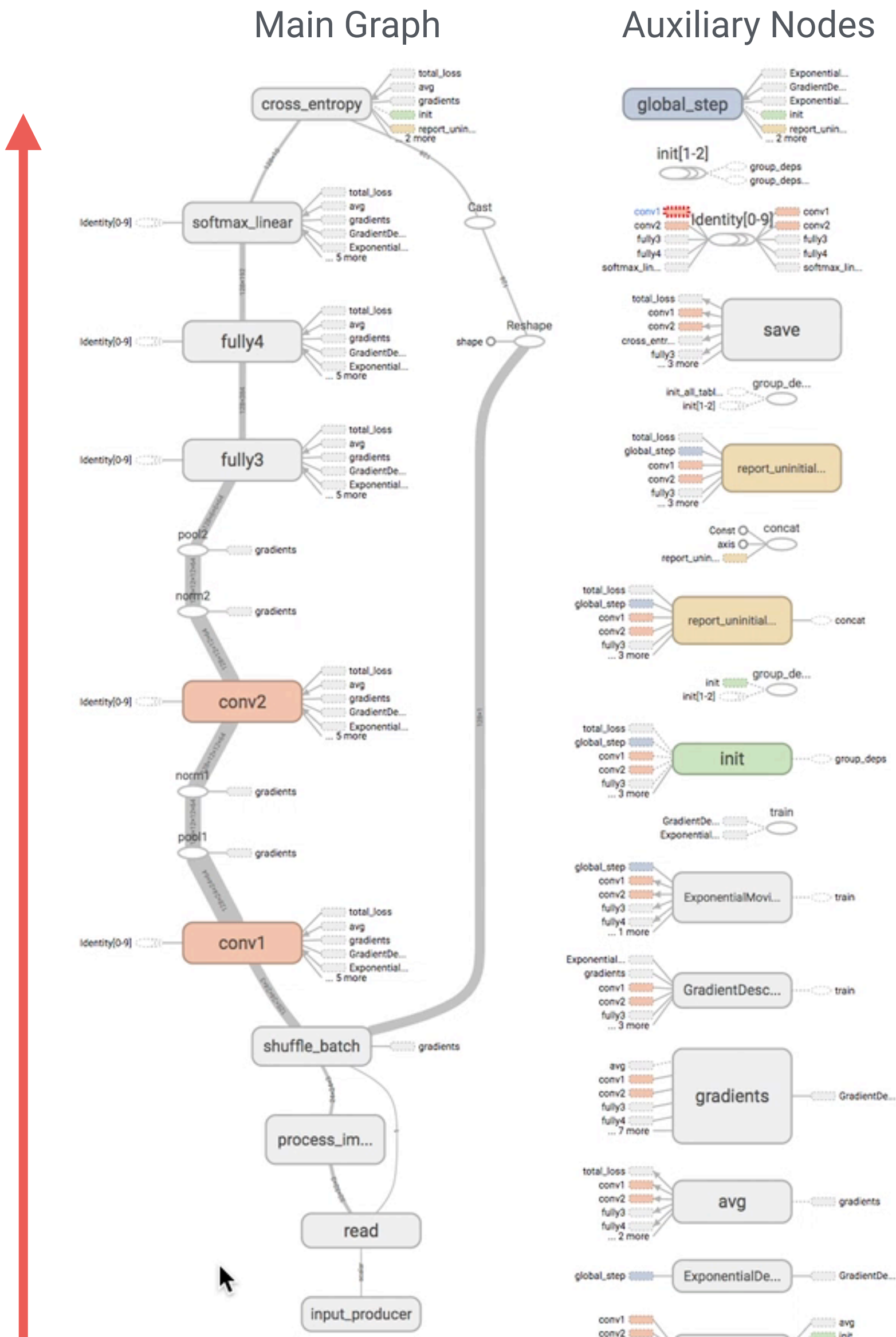
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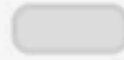



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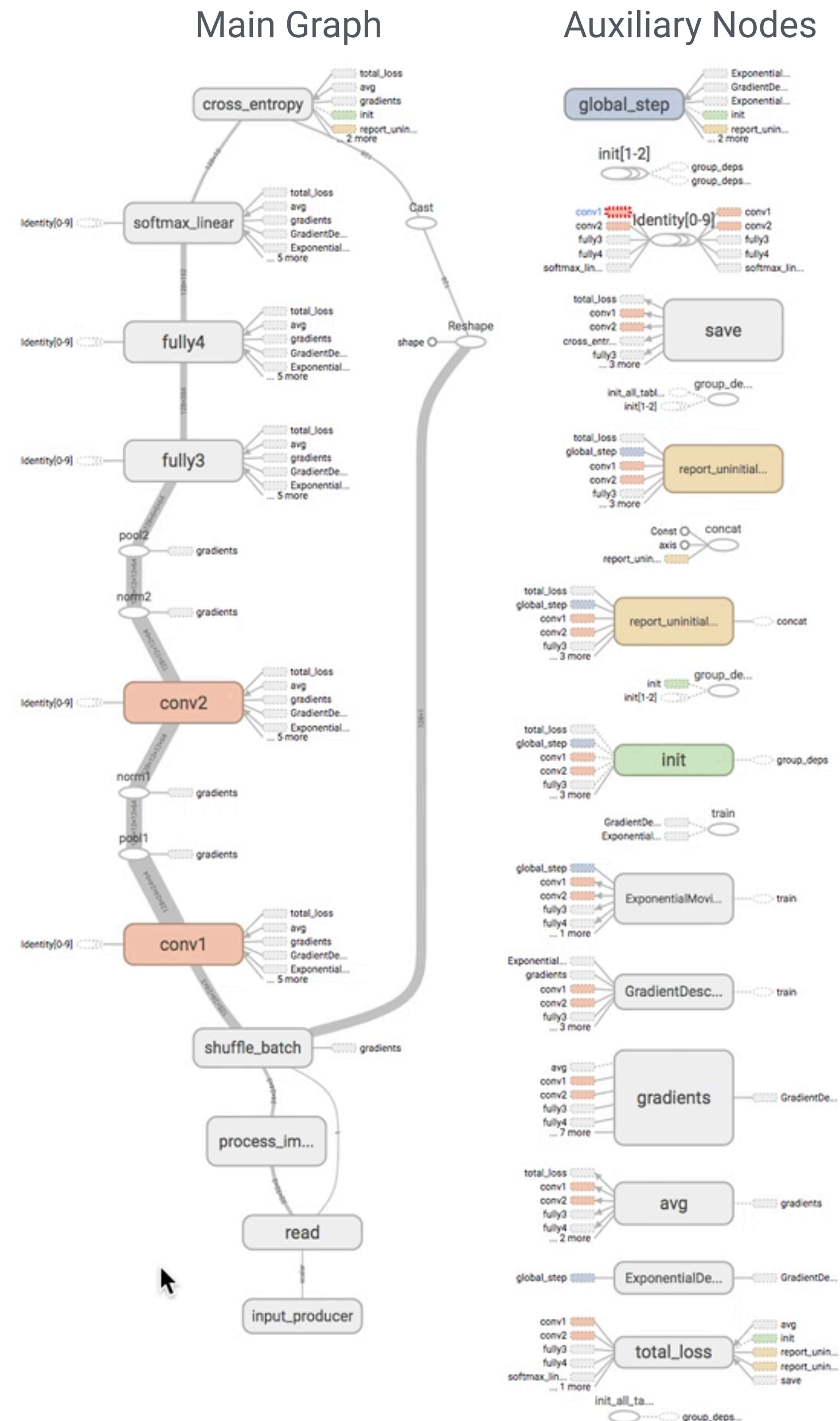
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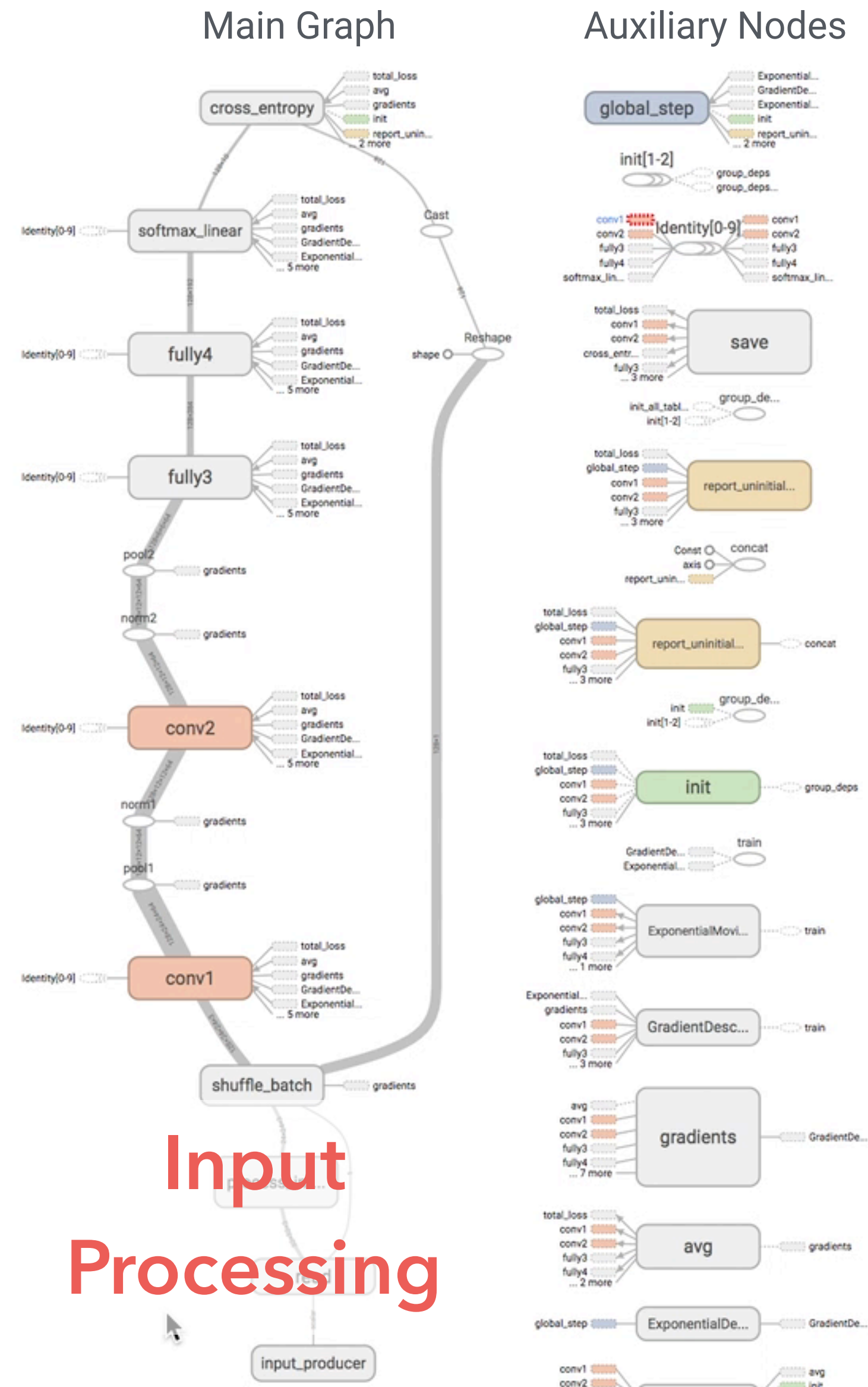
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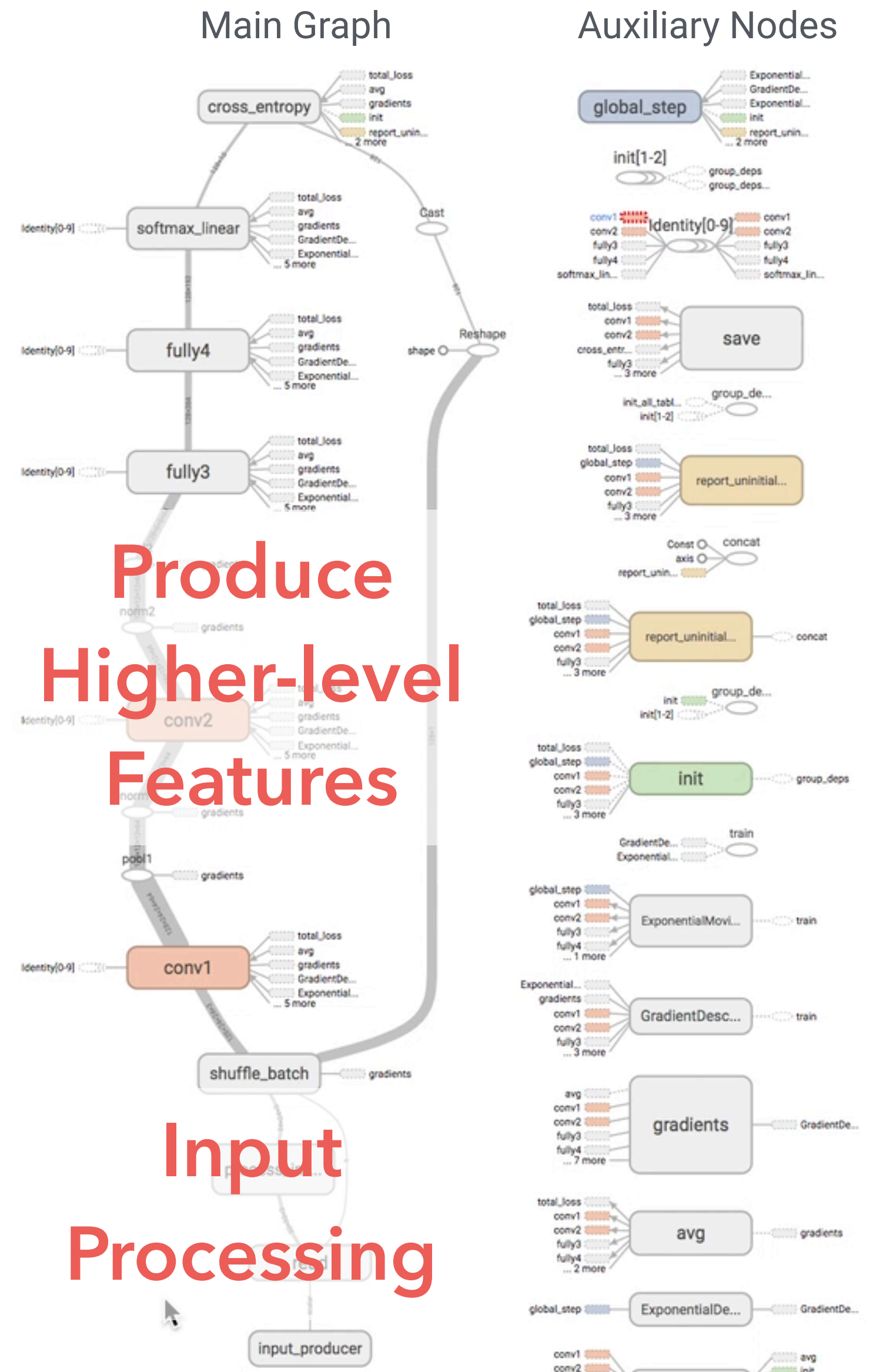
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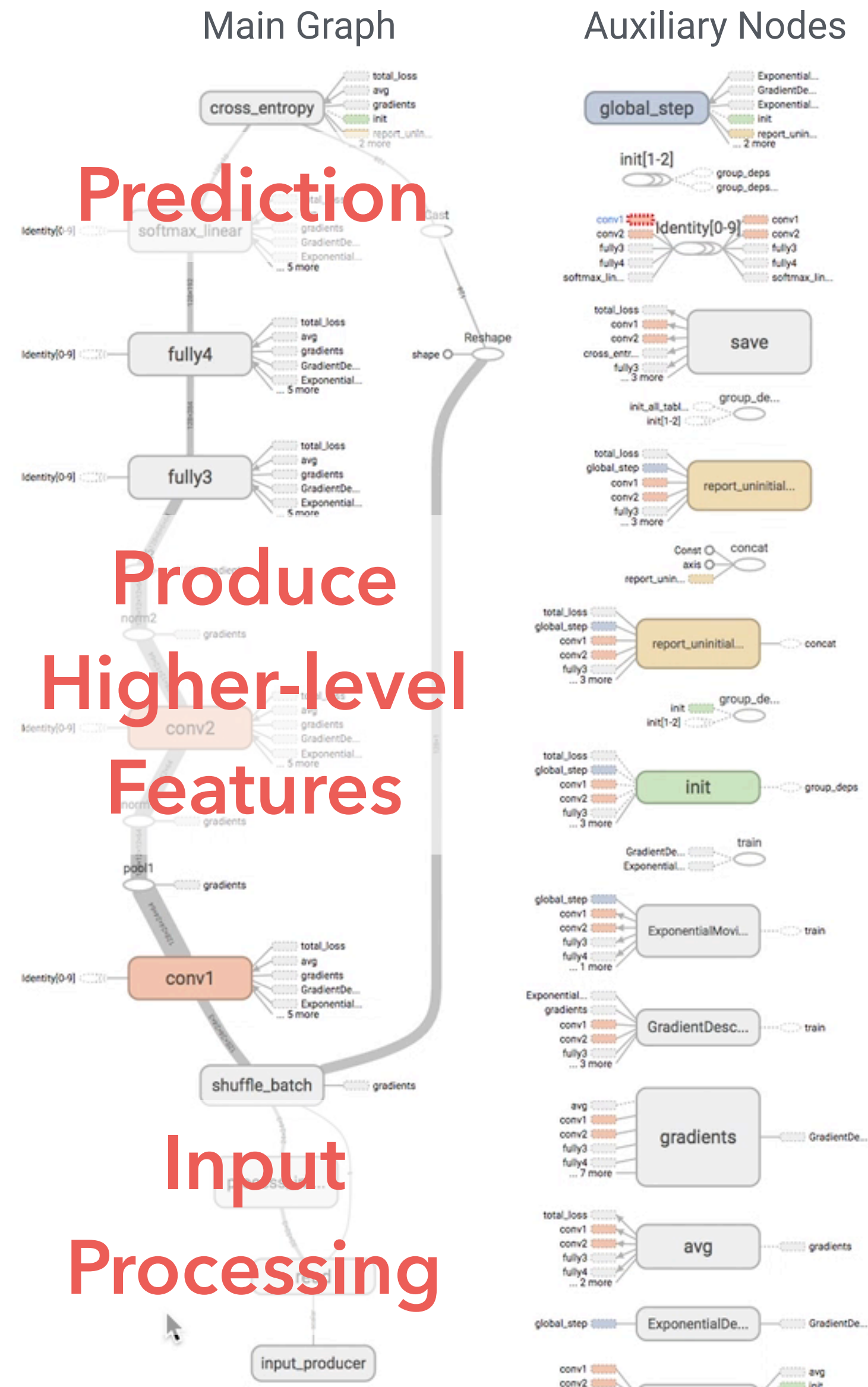
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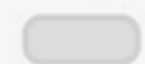
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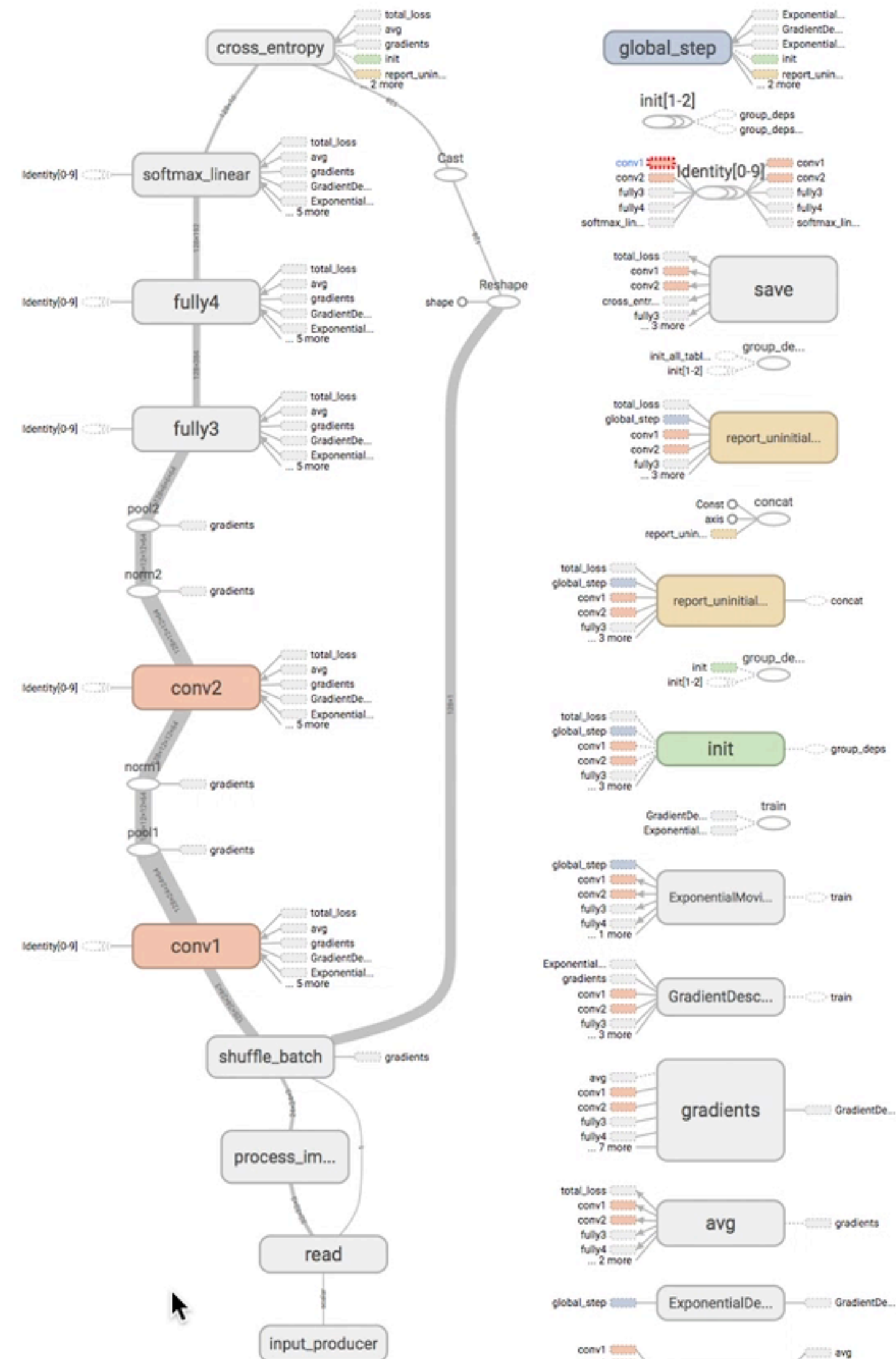


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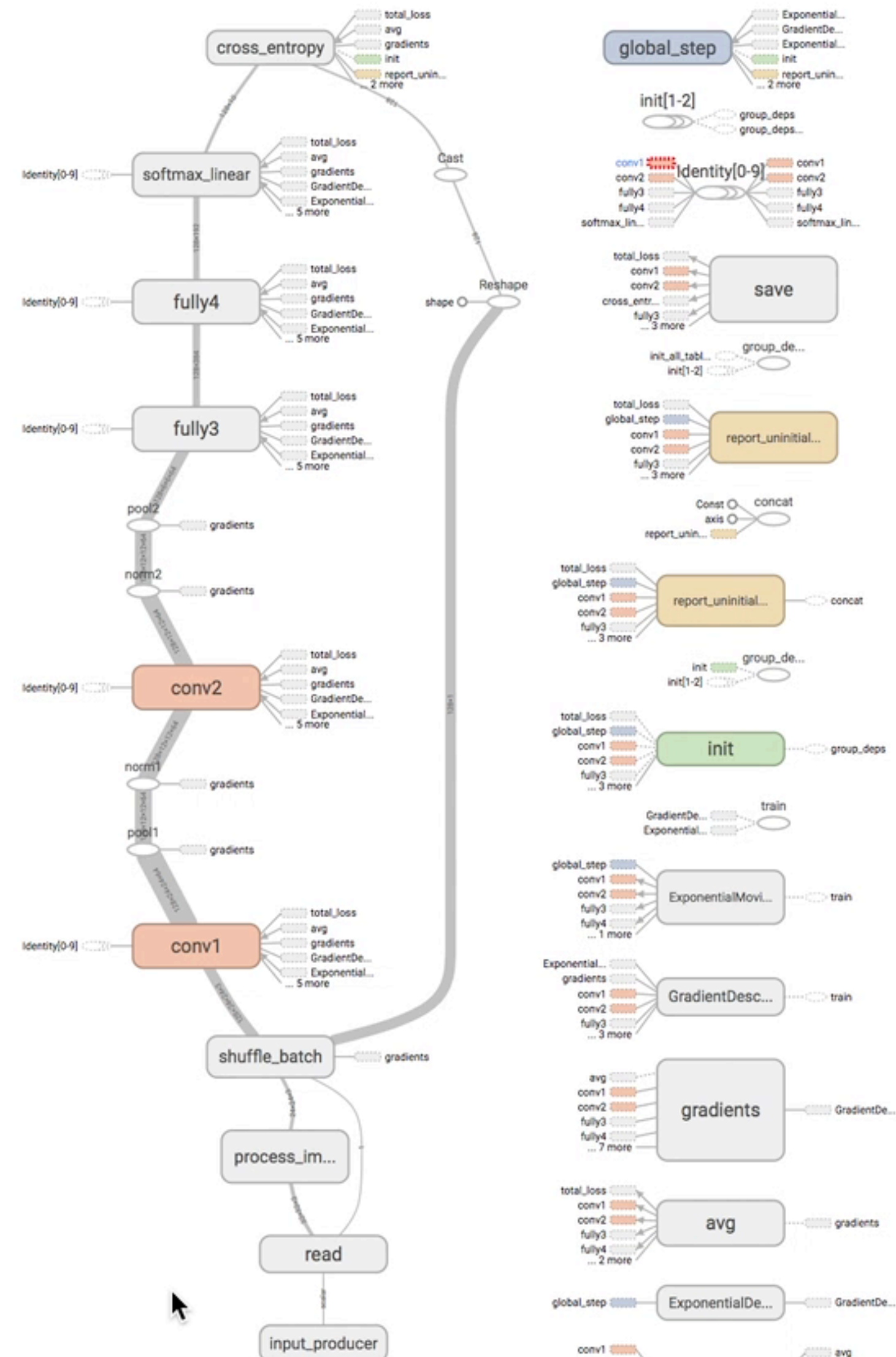
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






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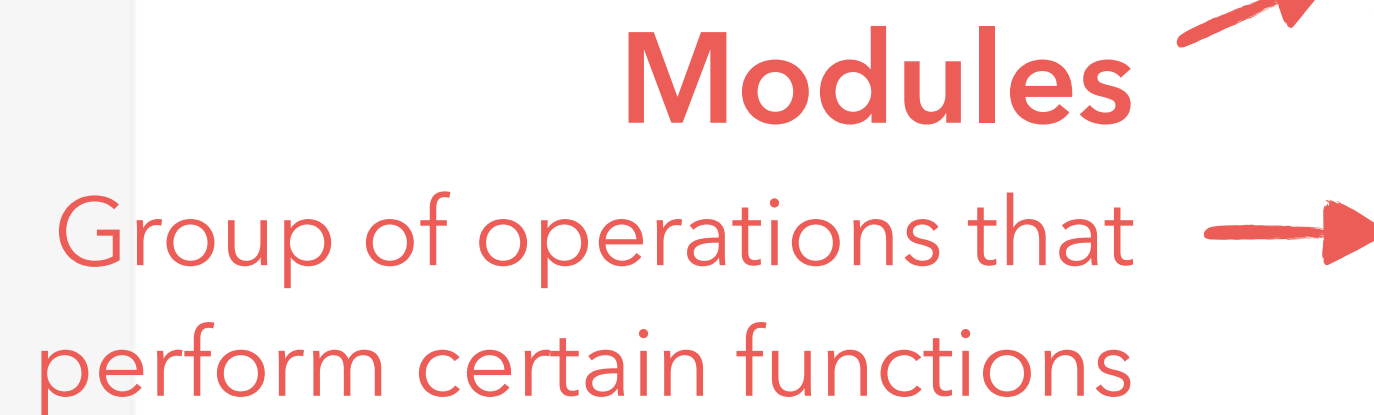


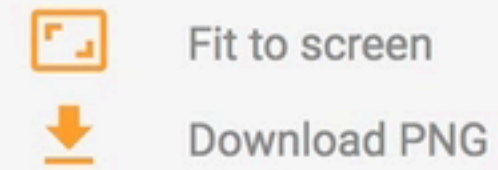
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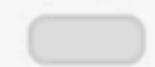


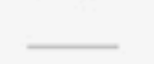


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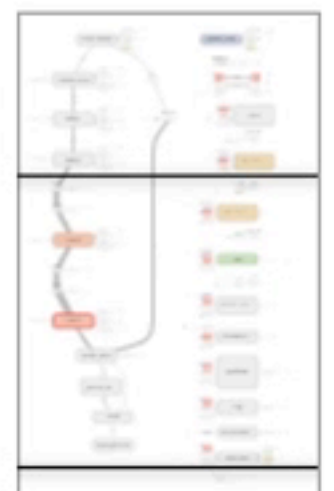
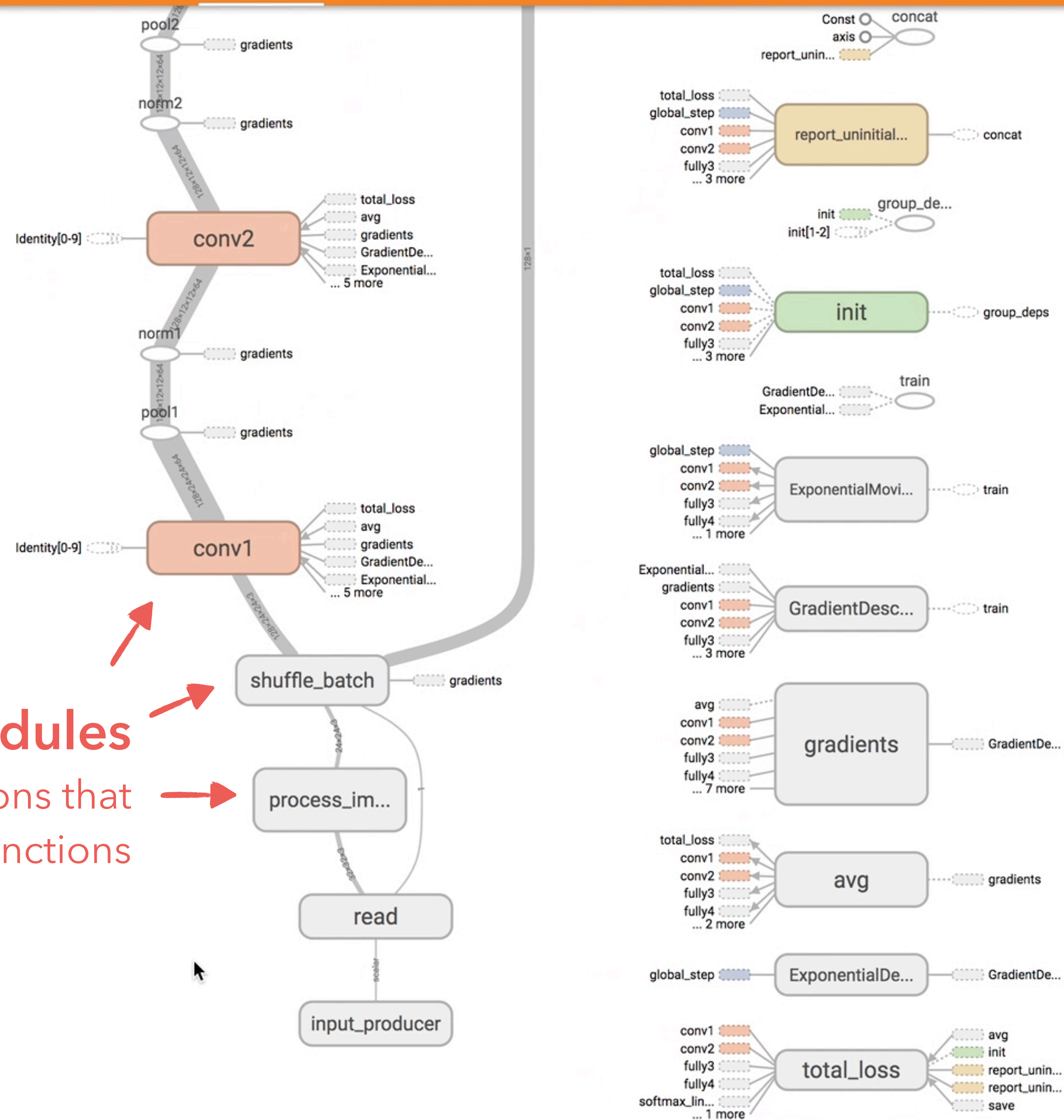
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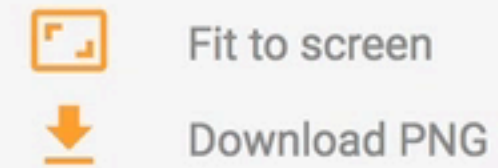
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Modules
Group of operations that
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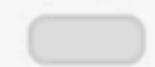


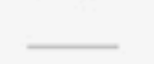

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colors same substructure

☐ unique substructure

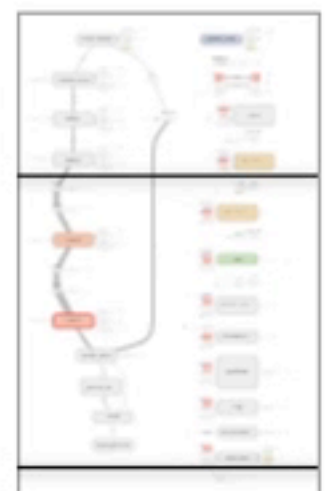
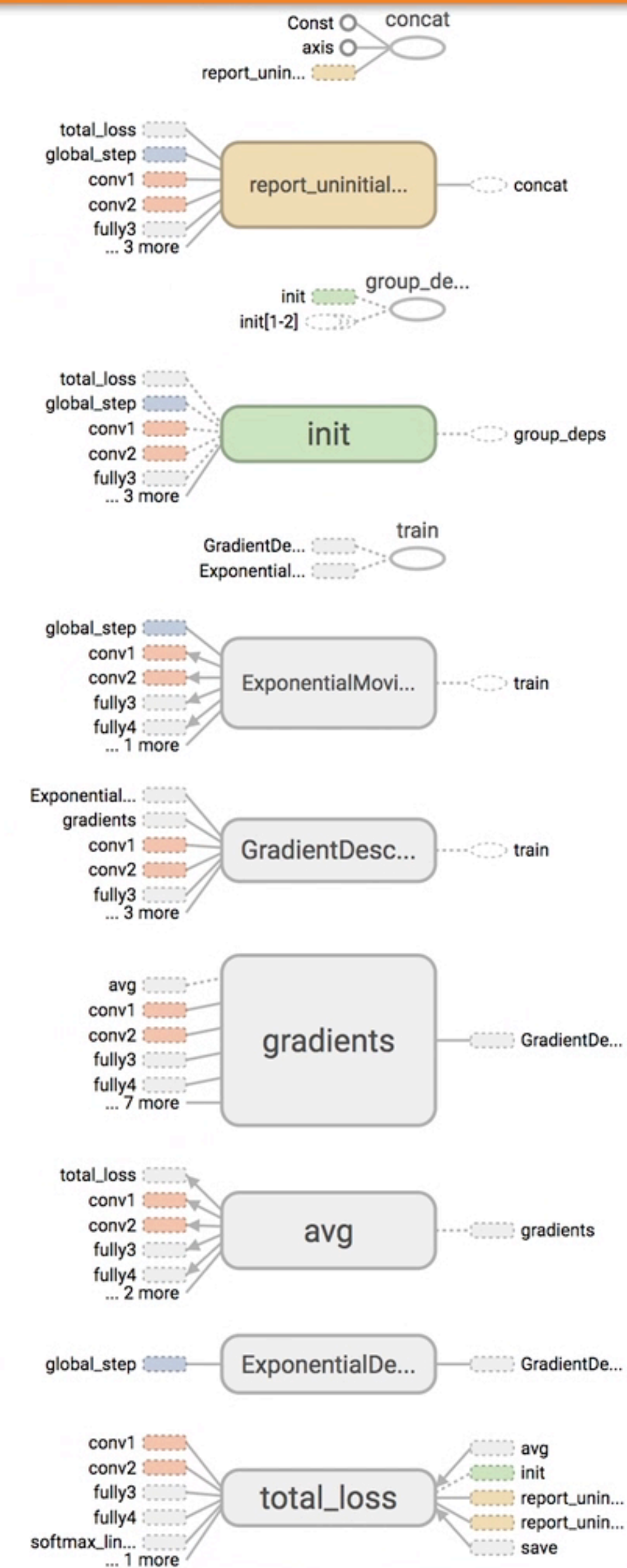
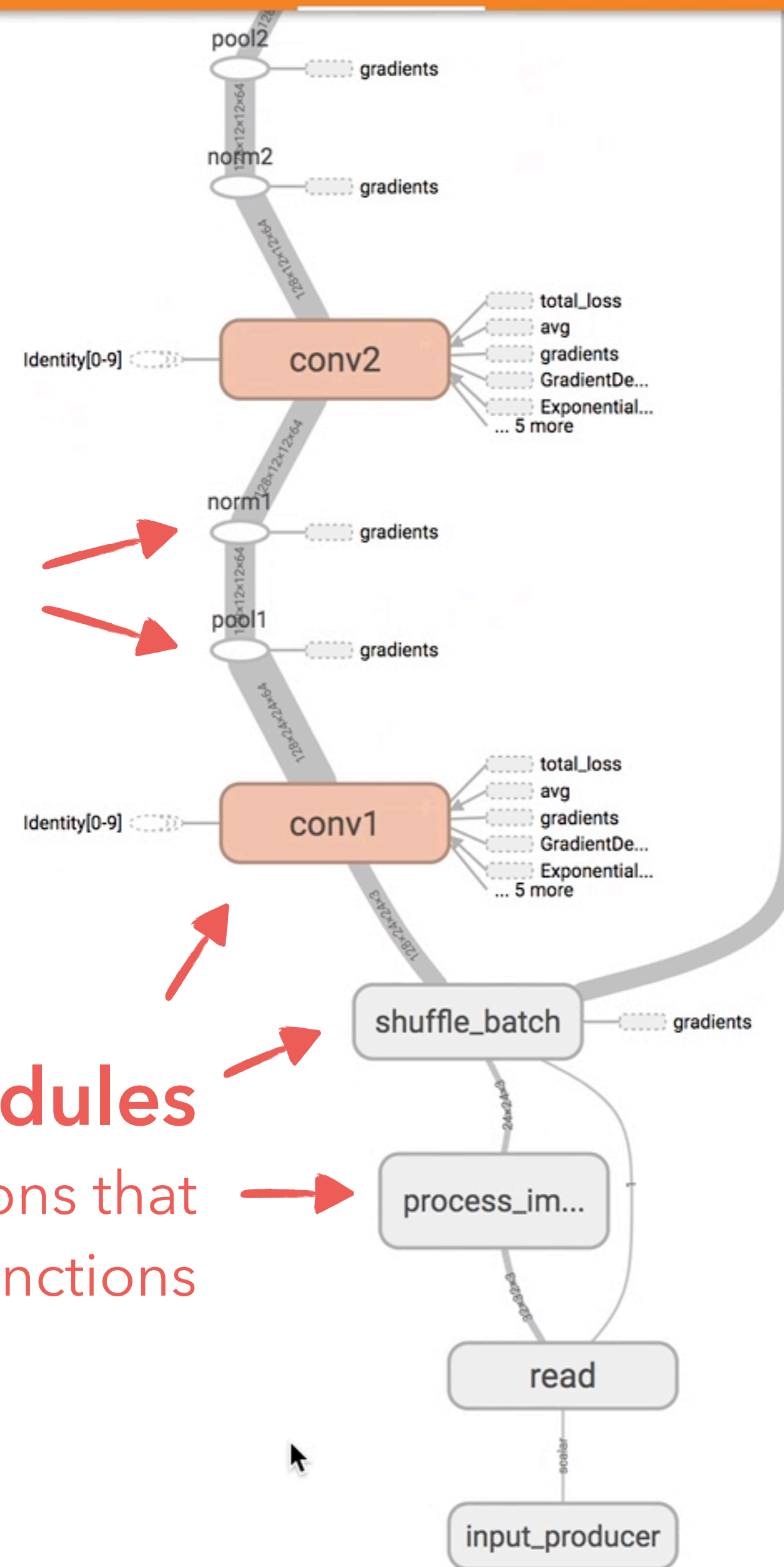
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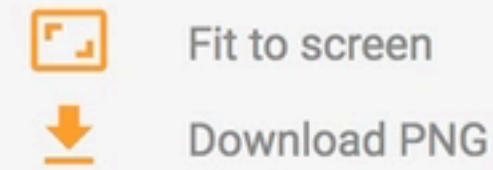
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Individual Operations

Modules

Group of operations that perform certain functions



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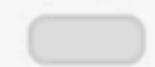




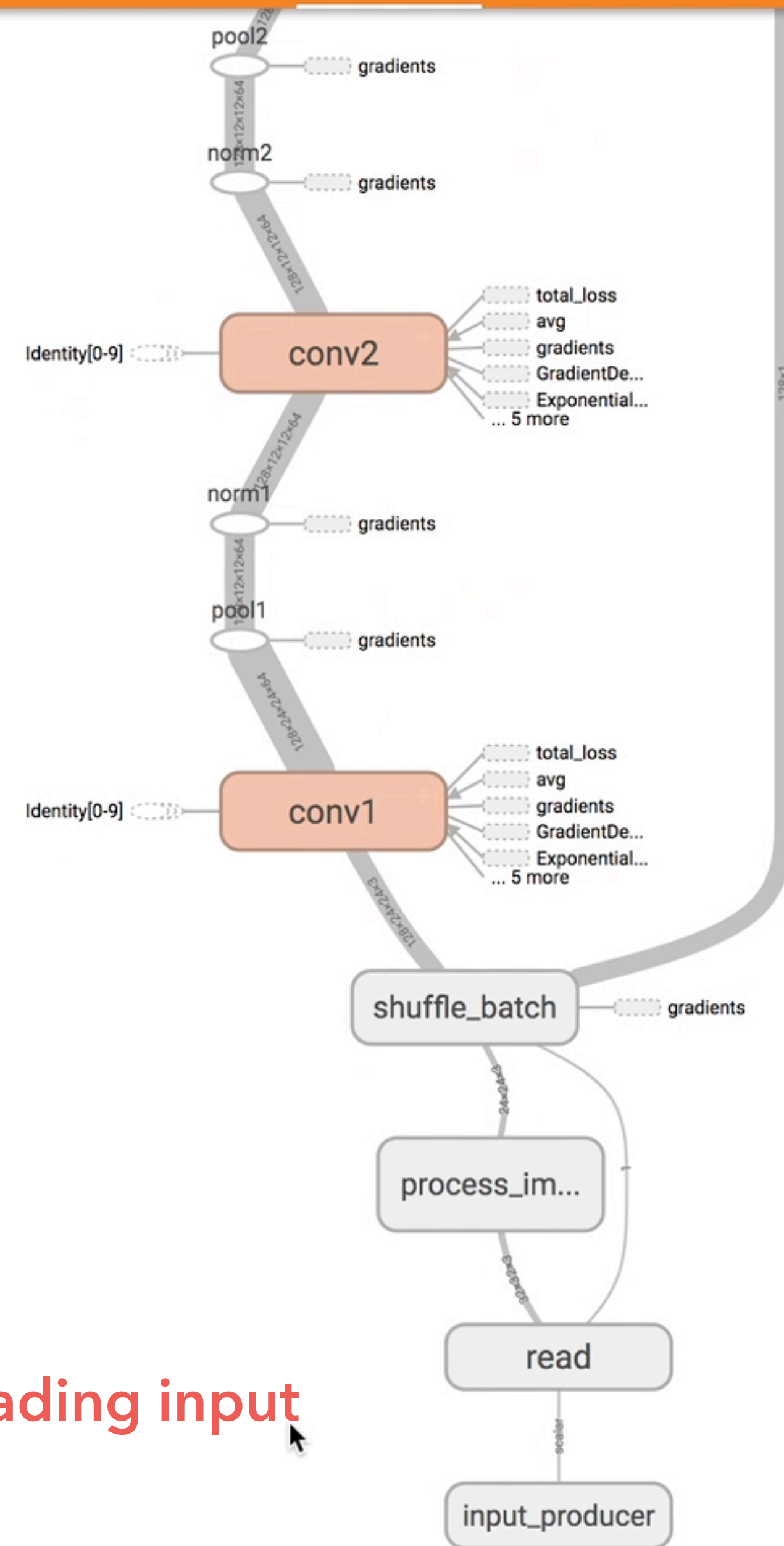
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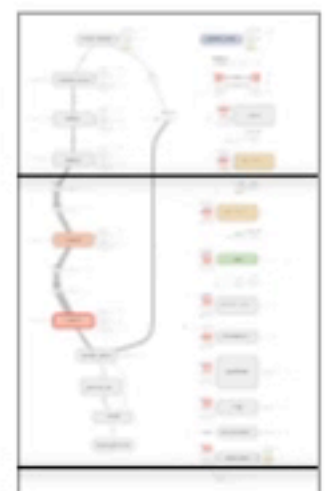
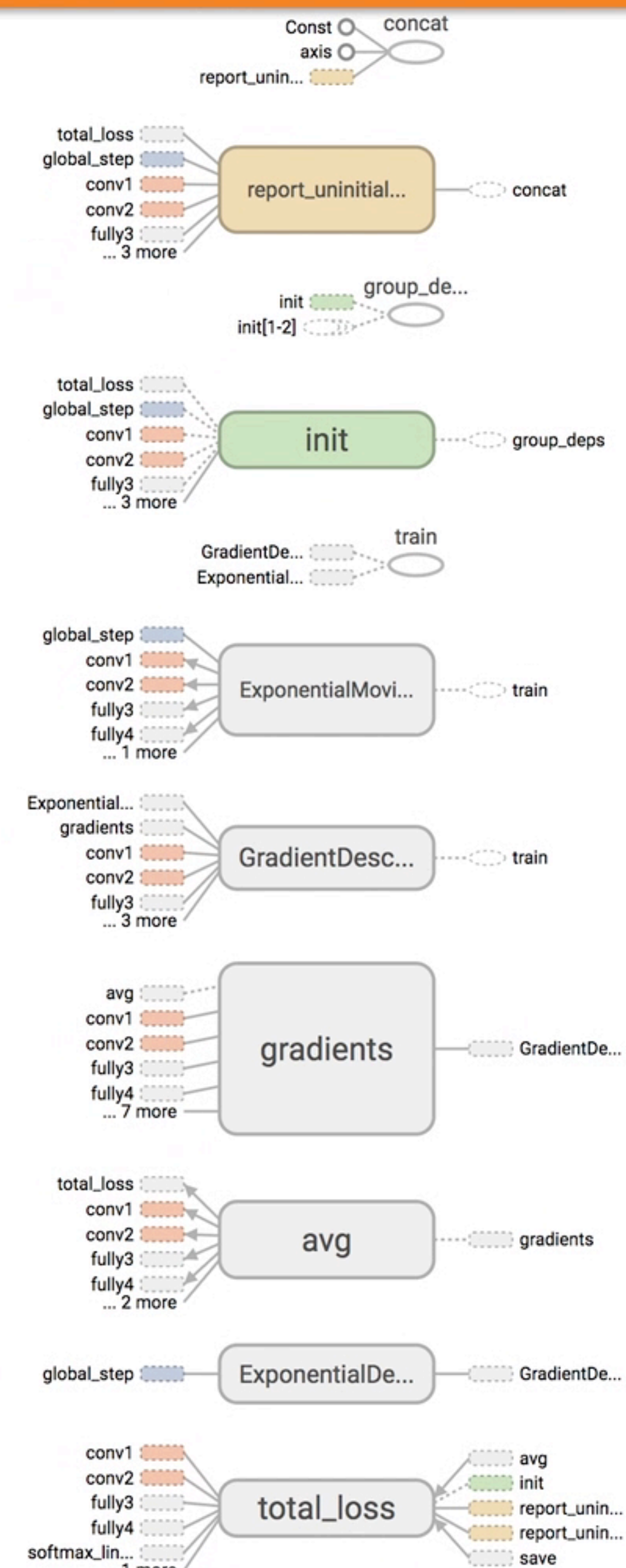
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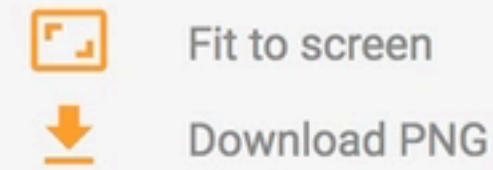
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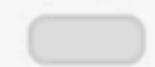




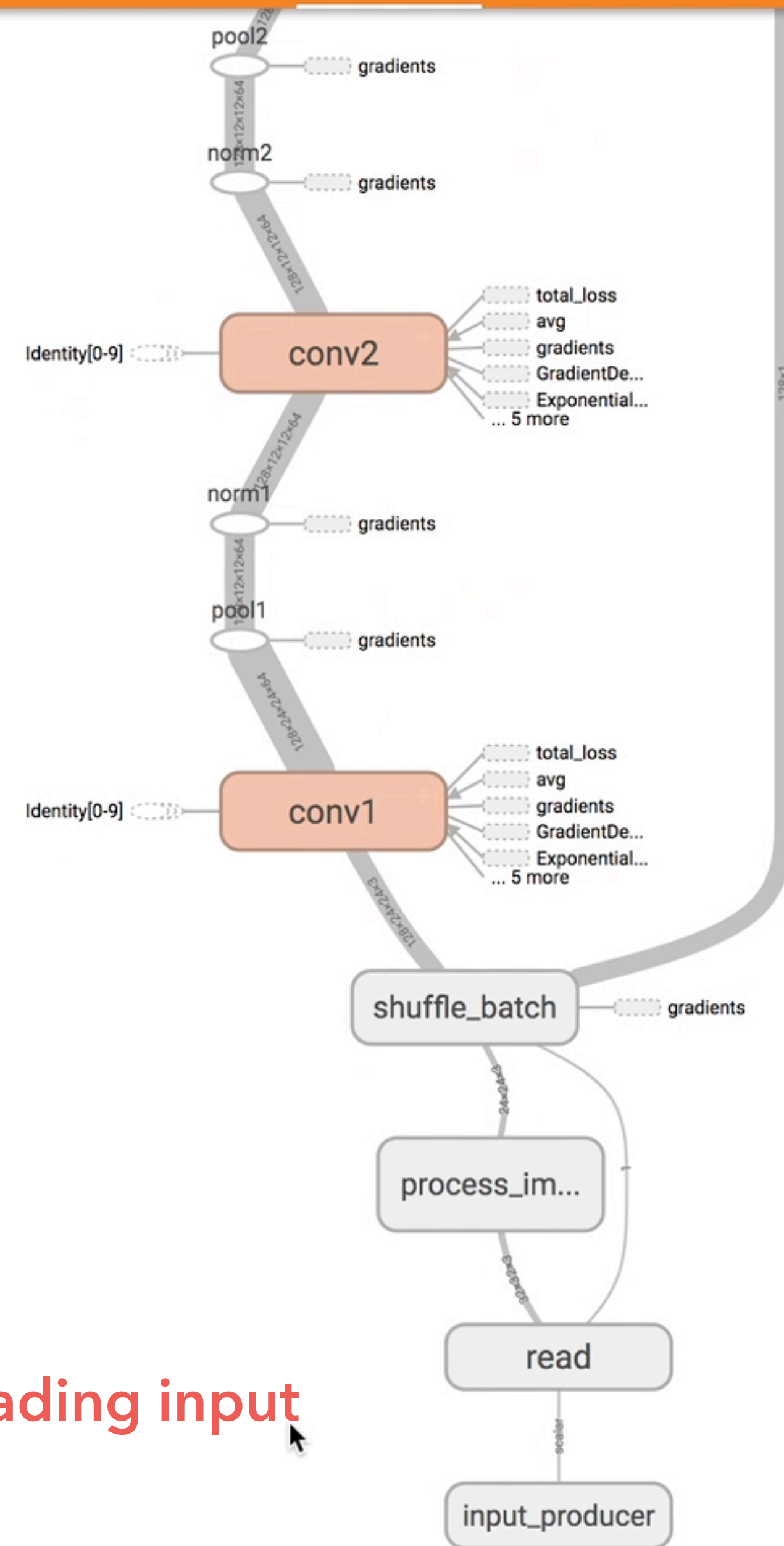
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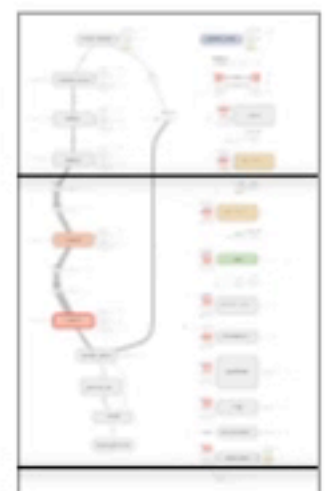
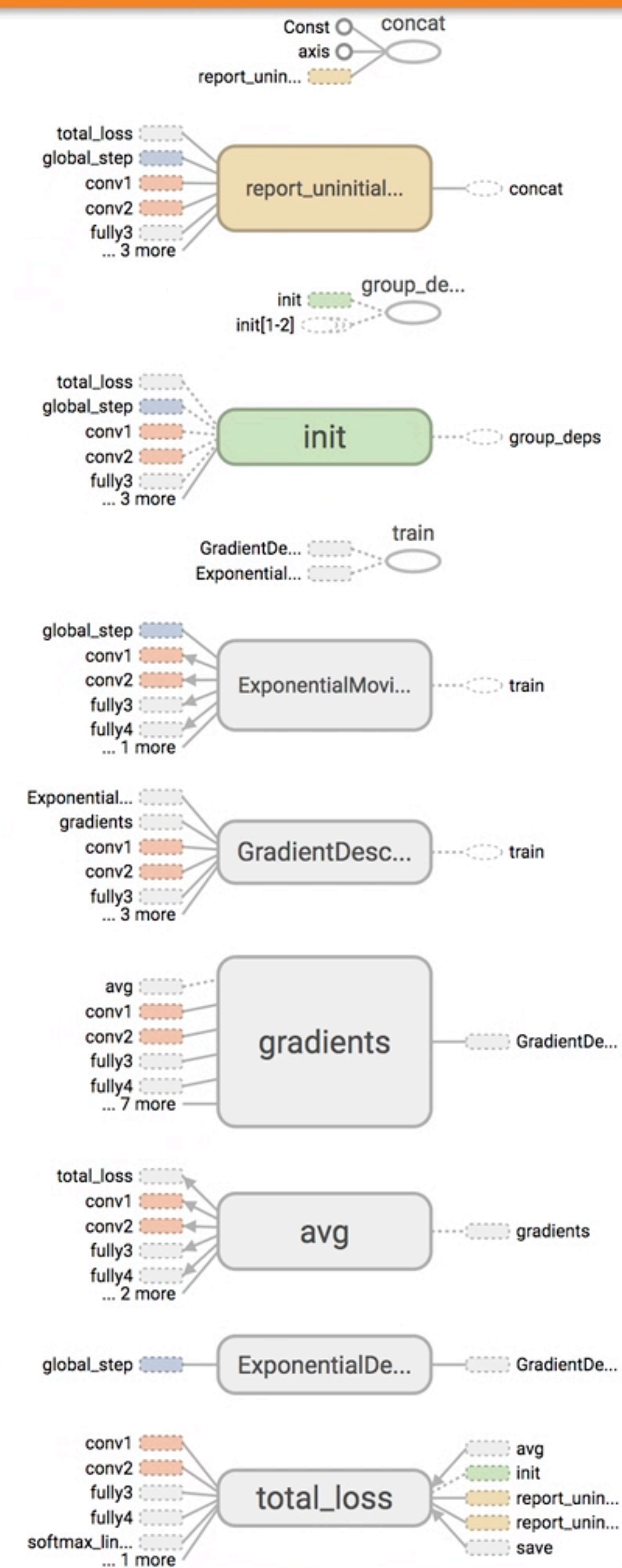
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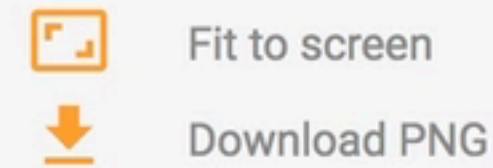
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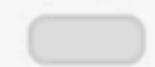




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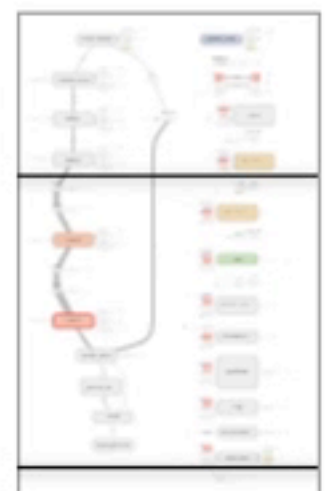
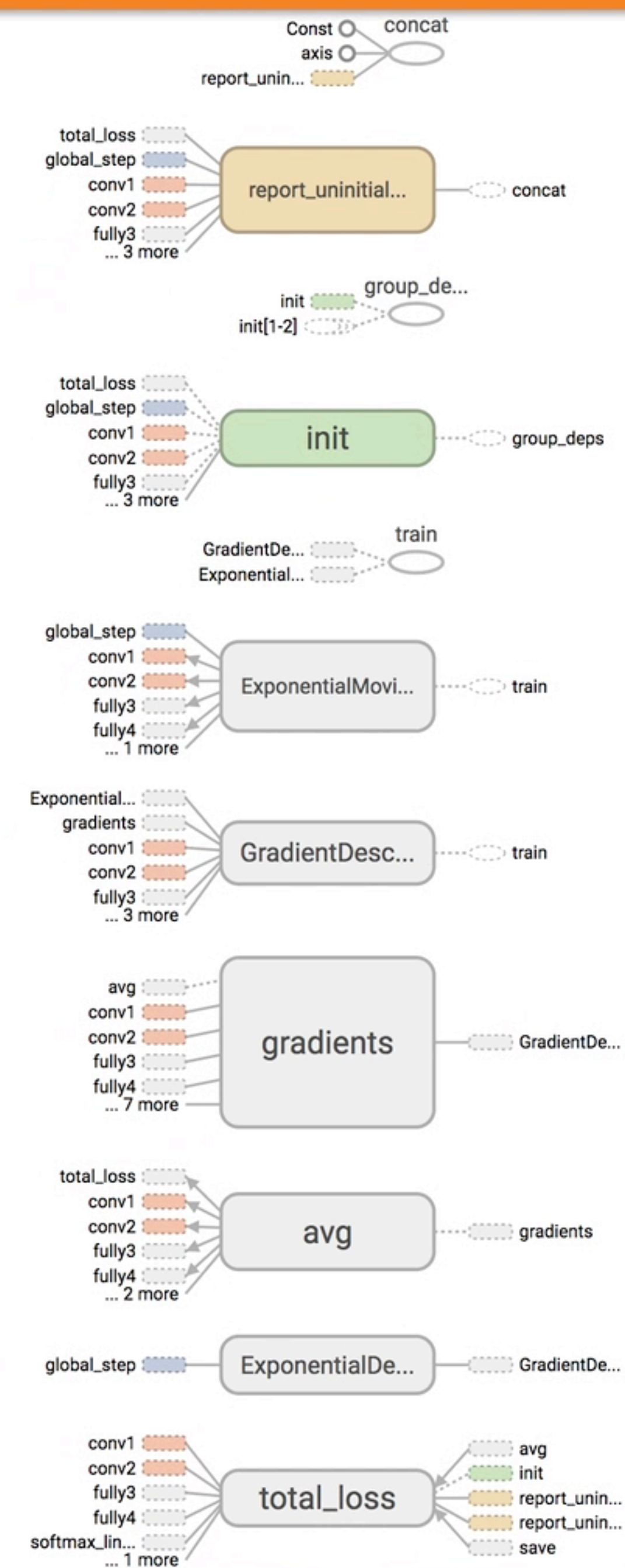
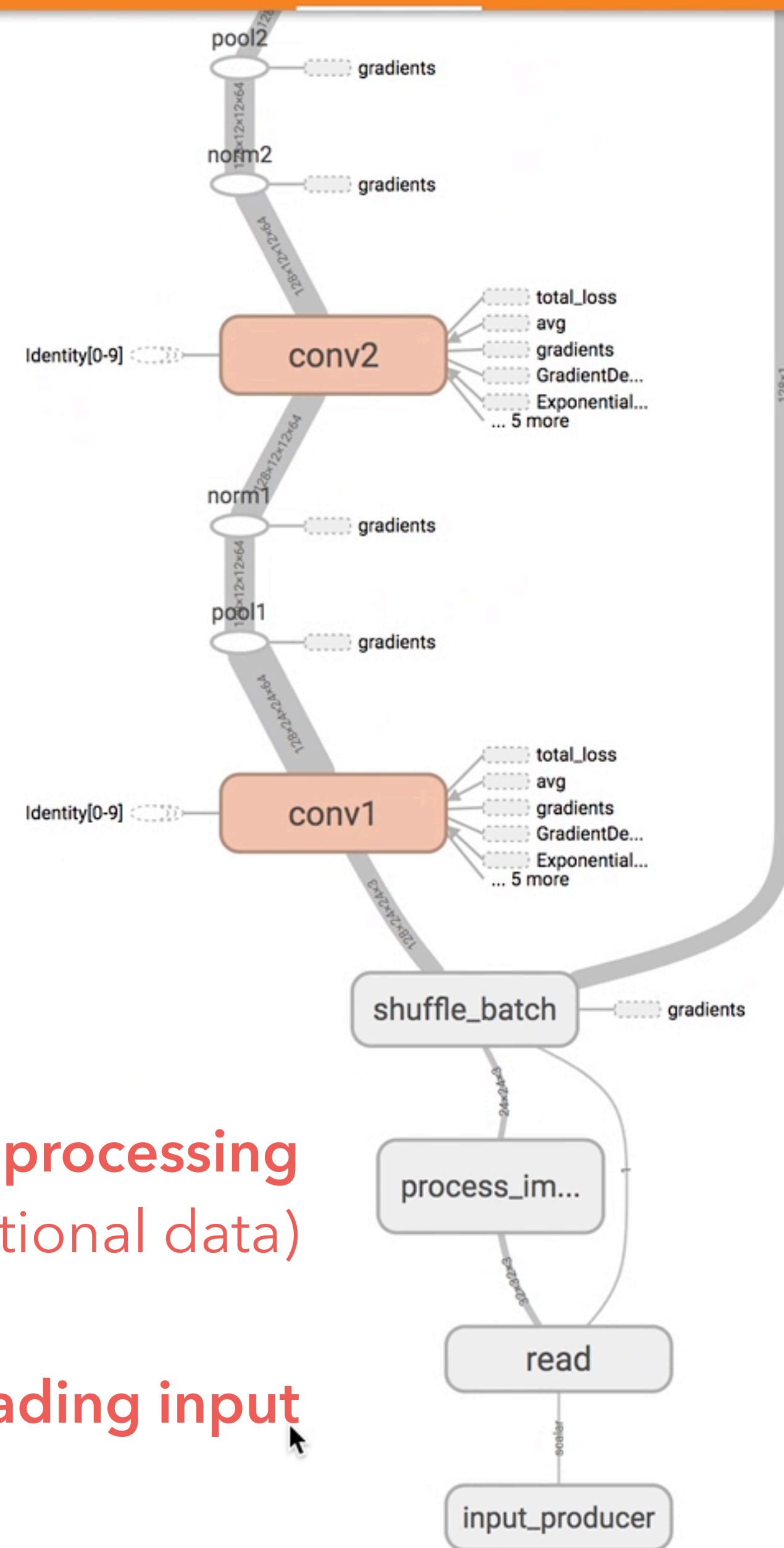
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





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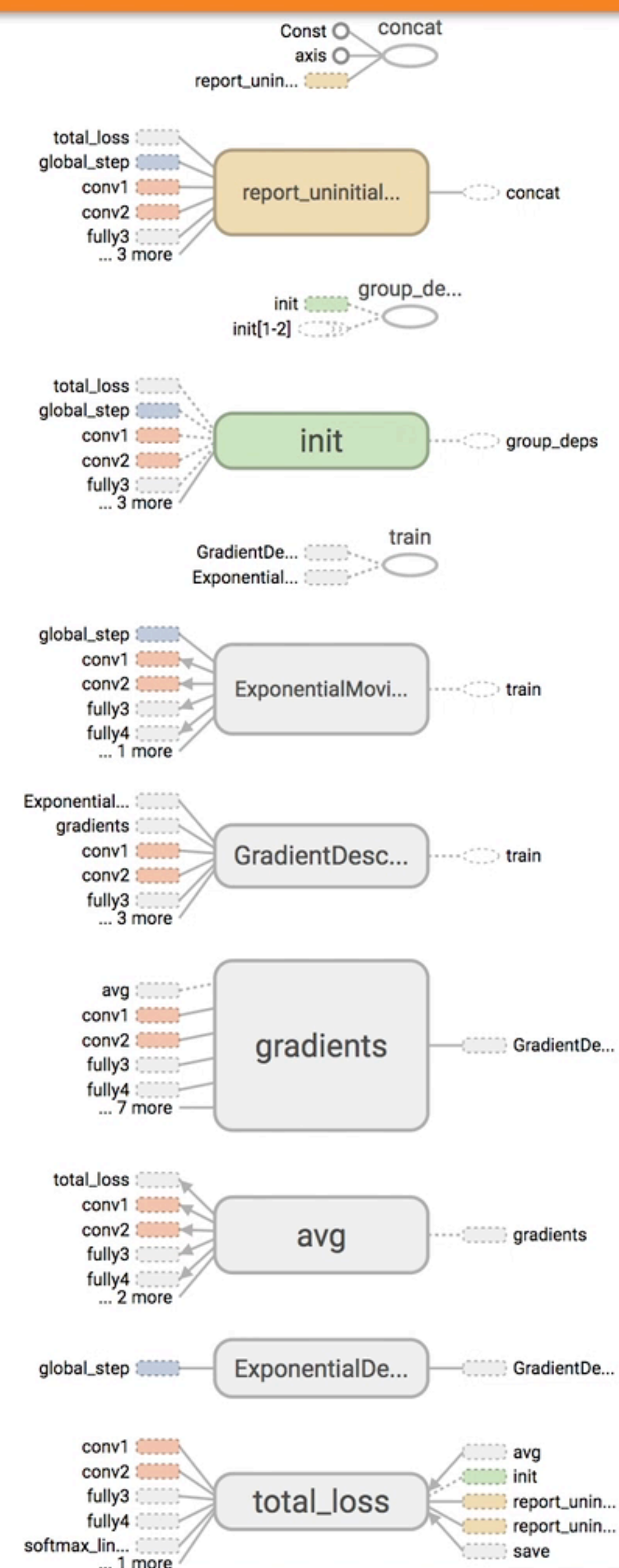
Apply image processing
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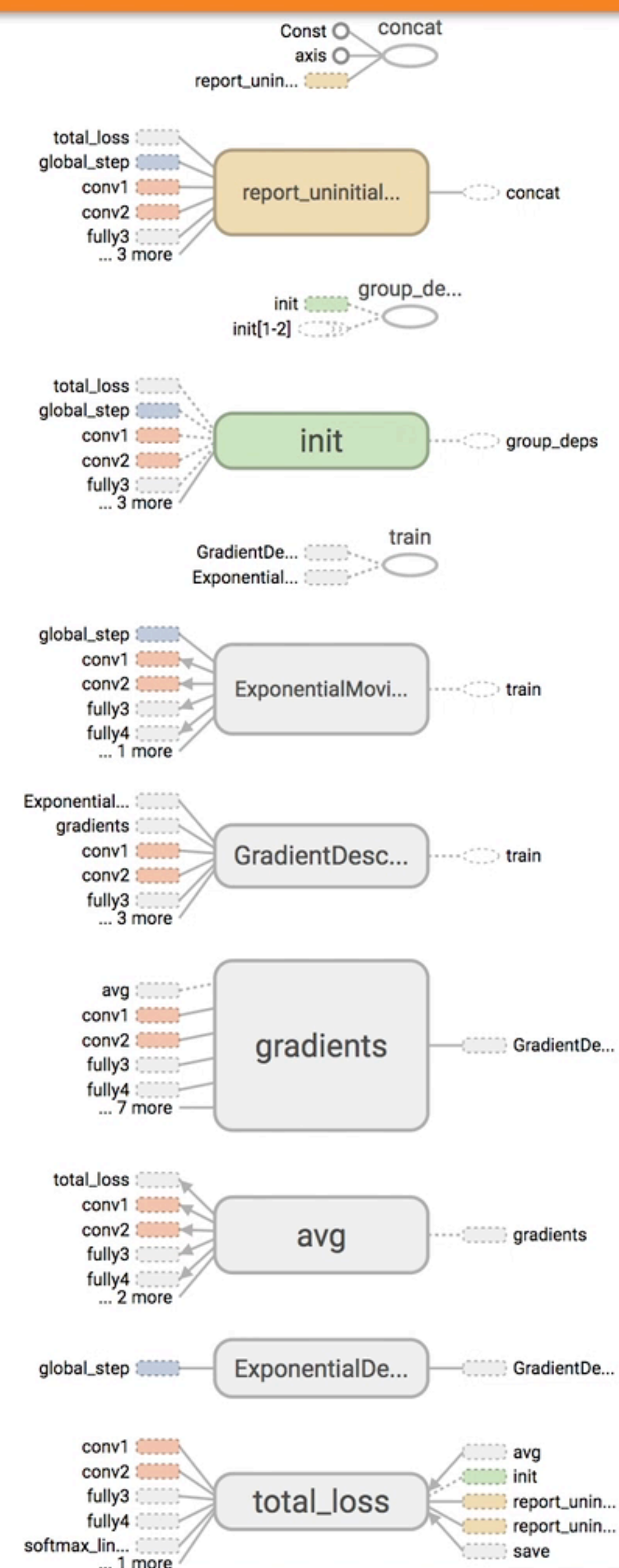
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 Fit to screen

 Download PNG

Run run1 (2)

Session runs (0)

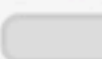





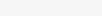
Upload

Trace inputs ☐

Color ☒ Structure ☐ Device

colors ☐ same substructure ☐ unique substructure

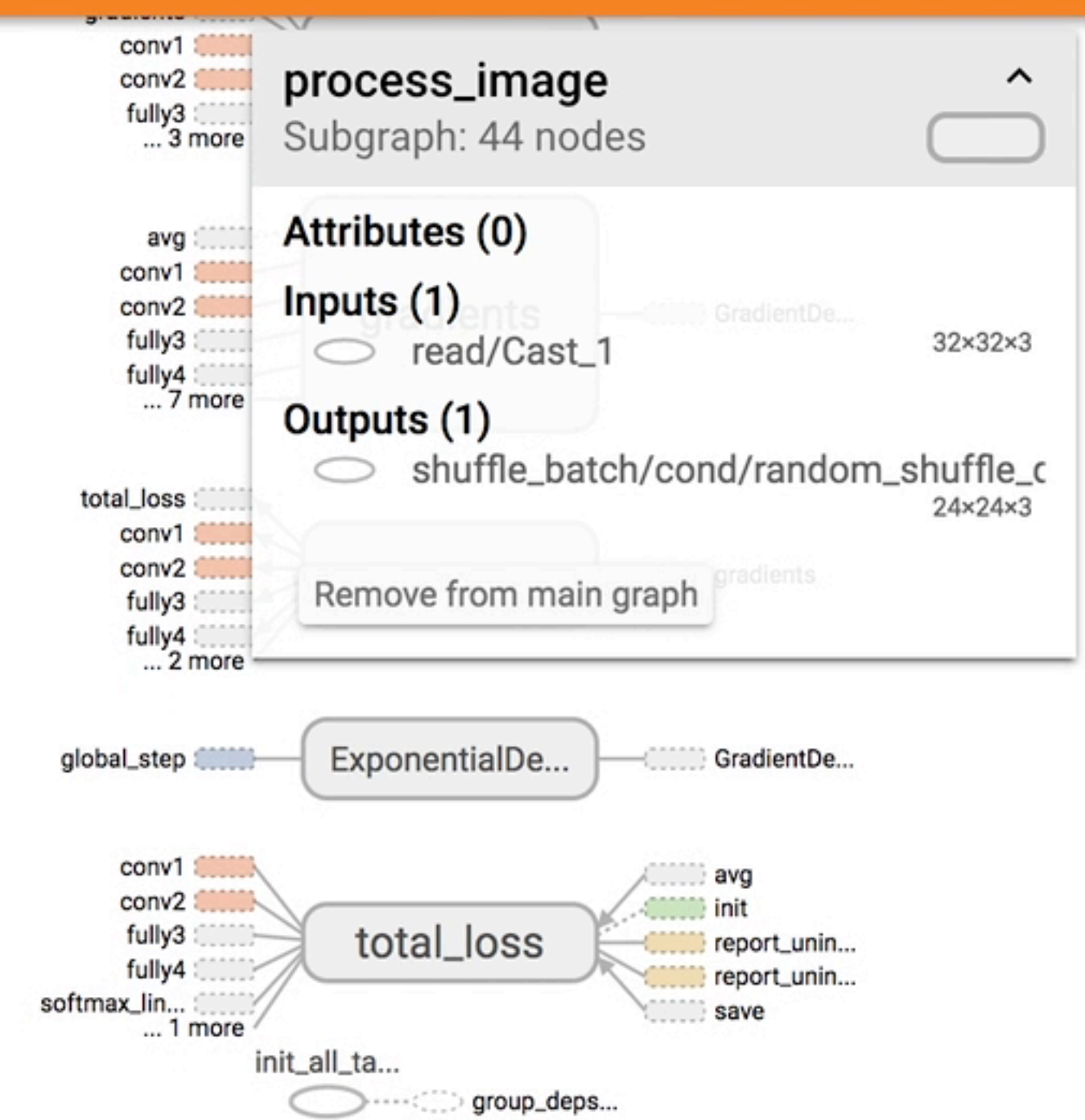
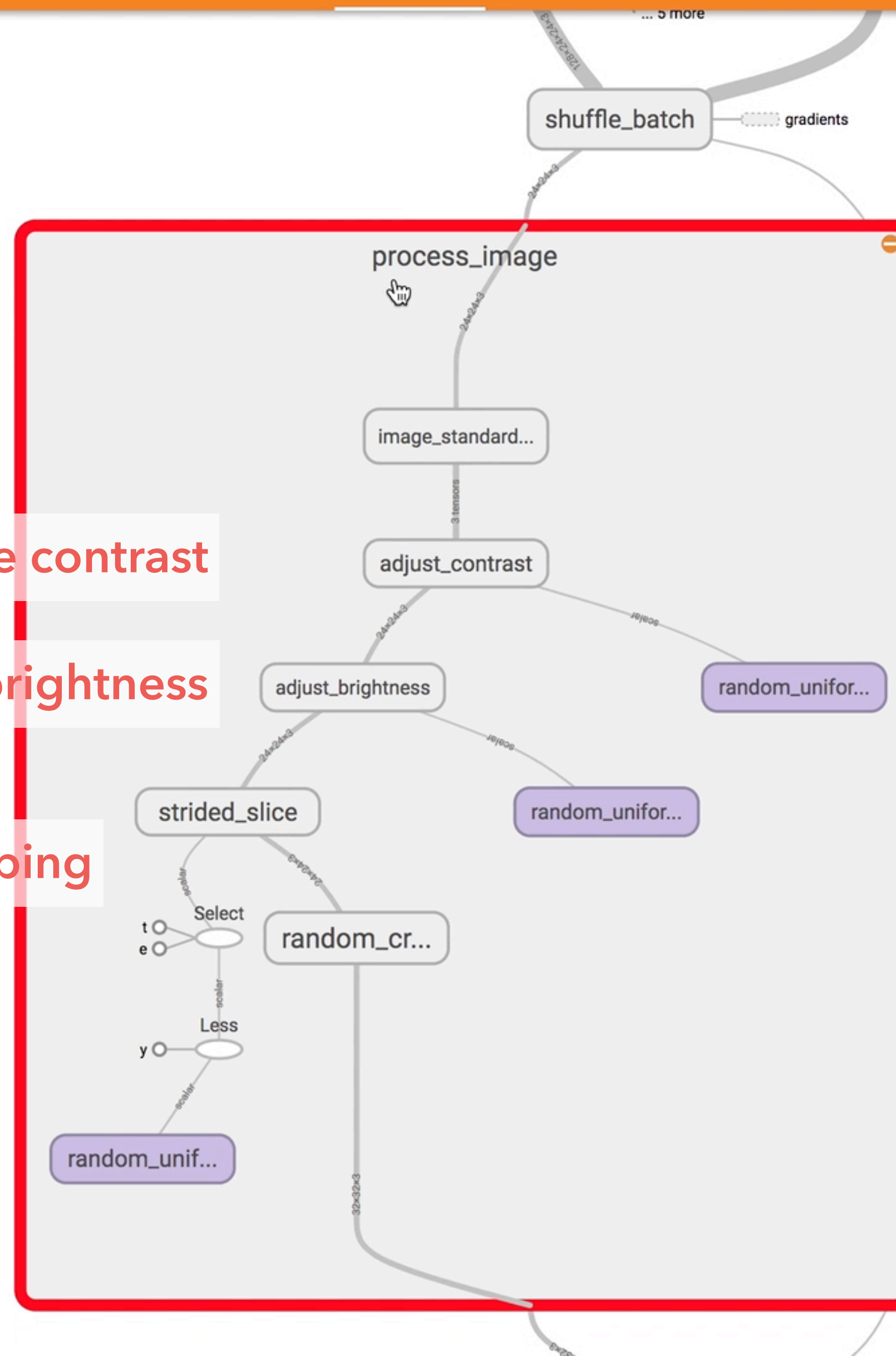
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randomize contrast

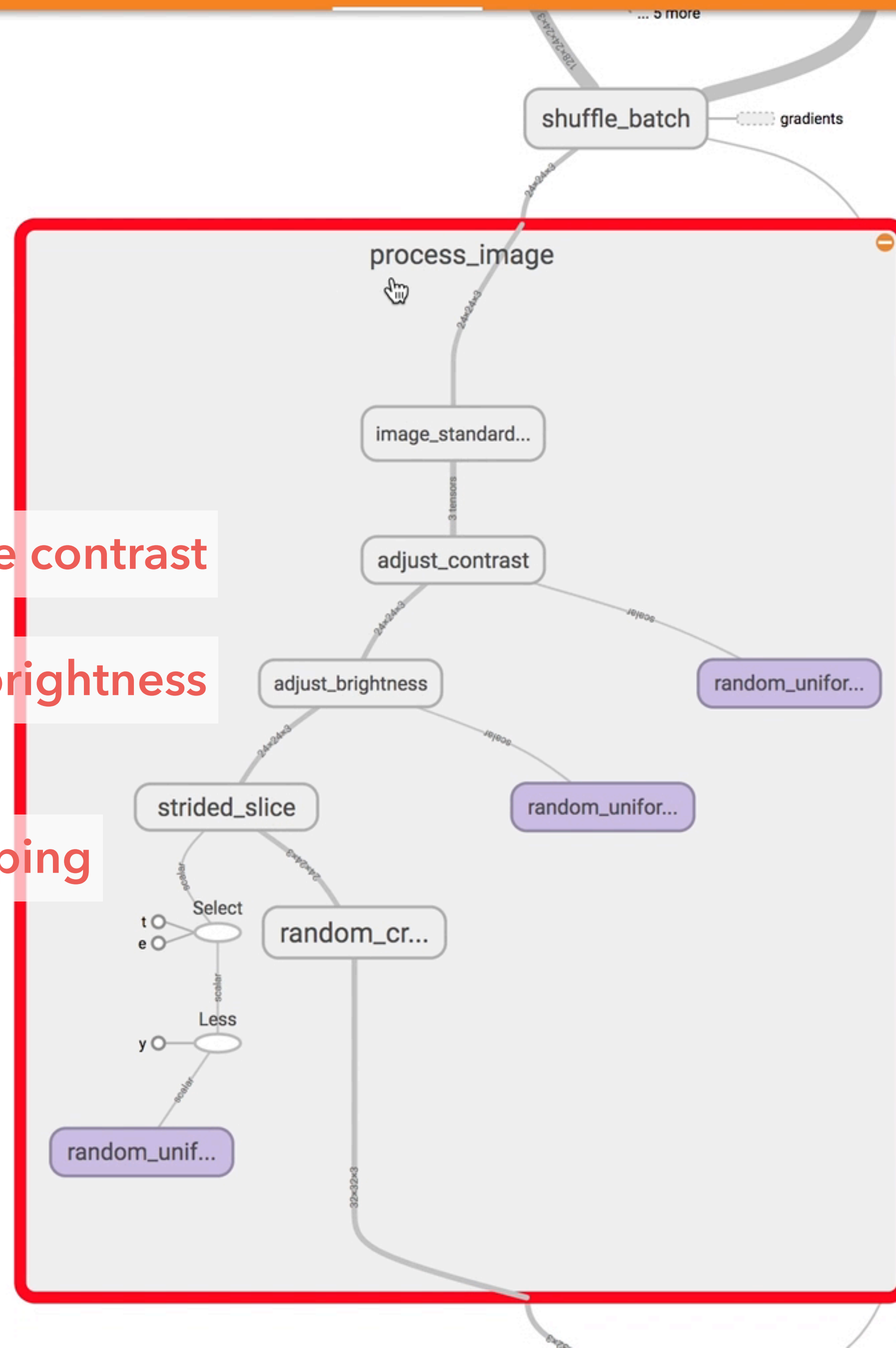
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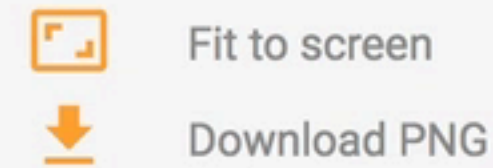
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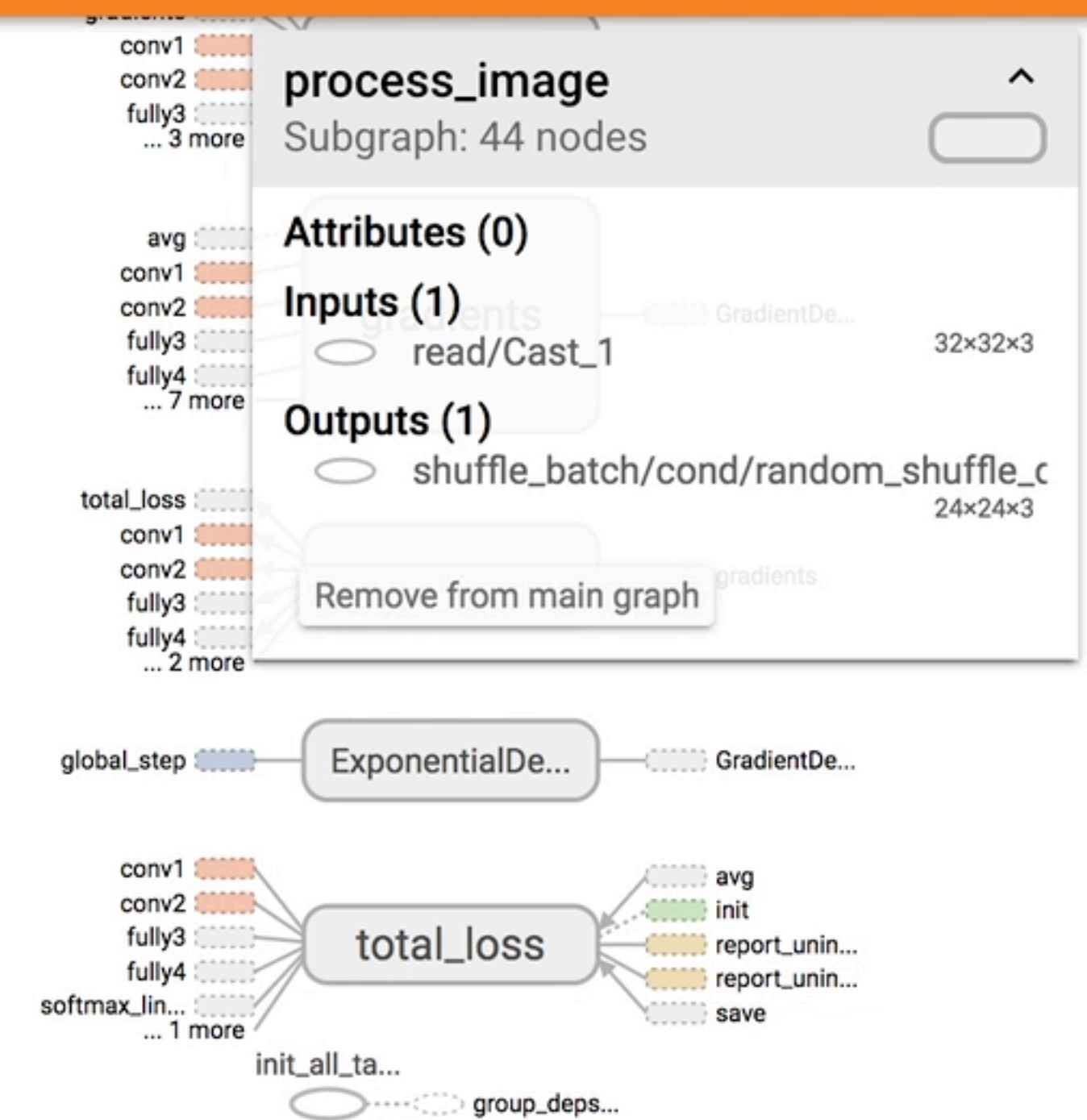
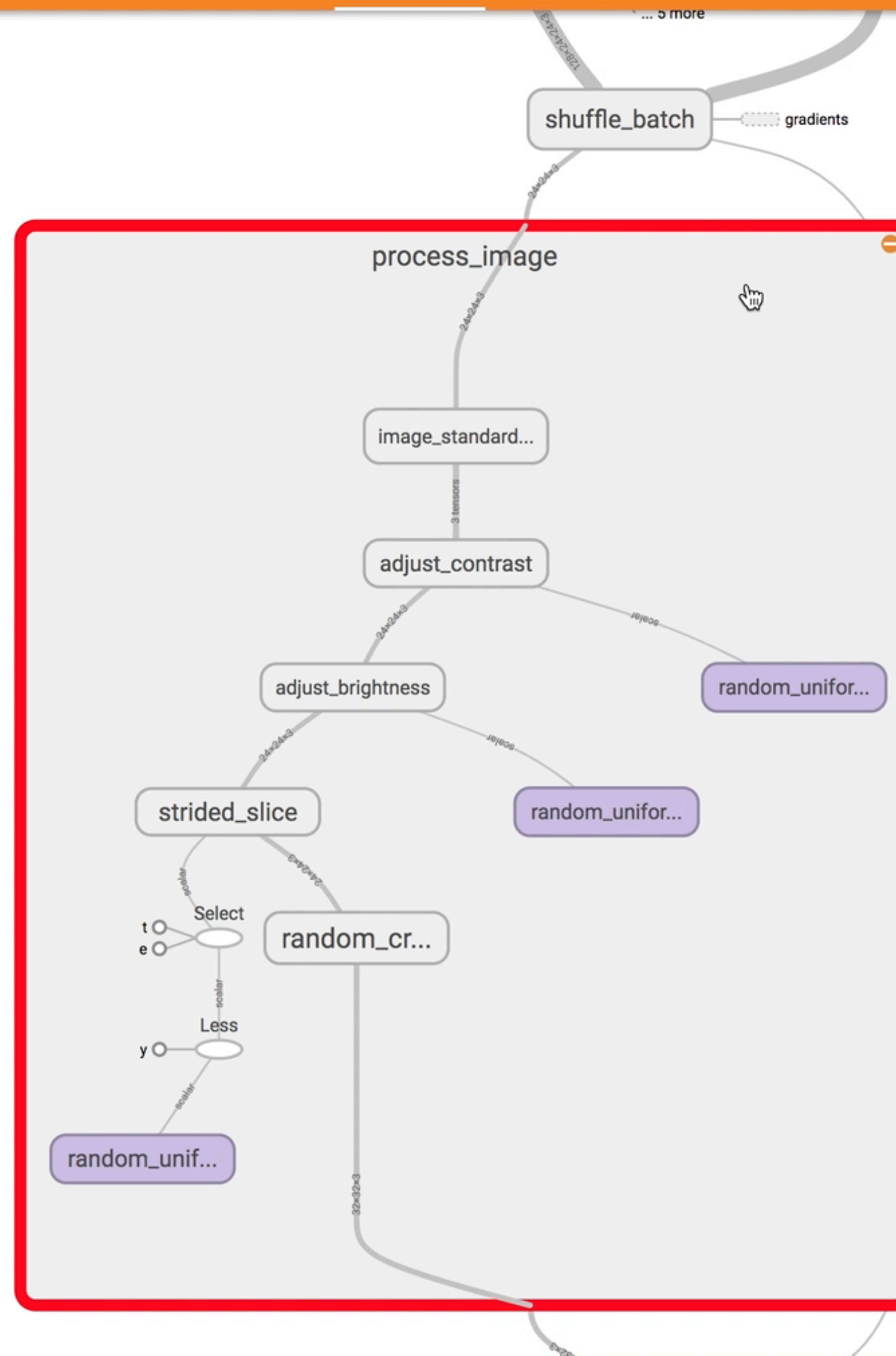
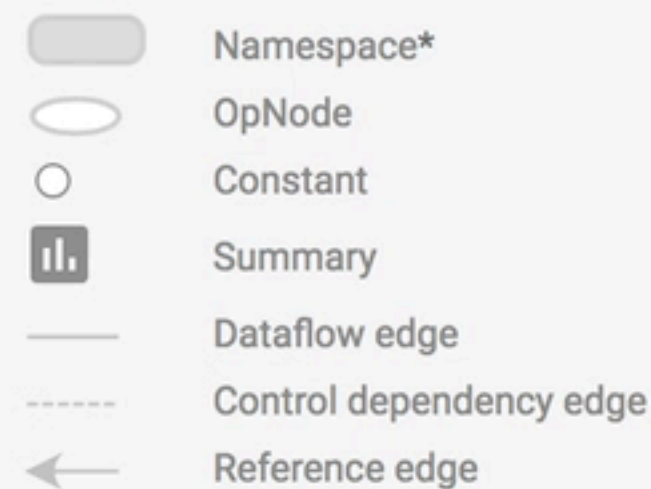


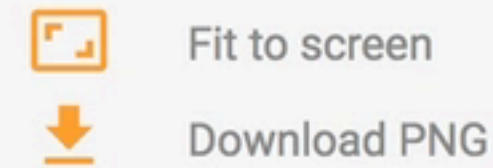
Run run1
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Session runs (0)

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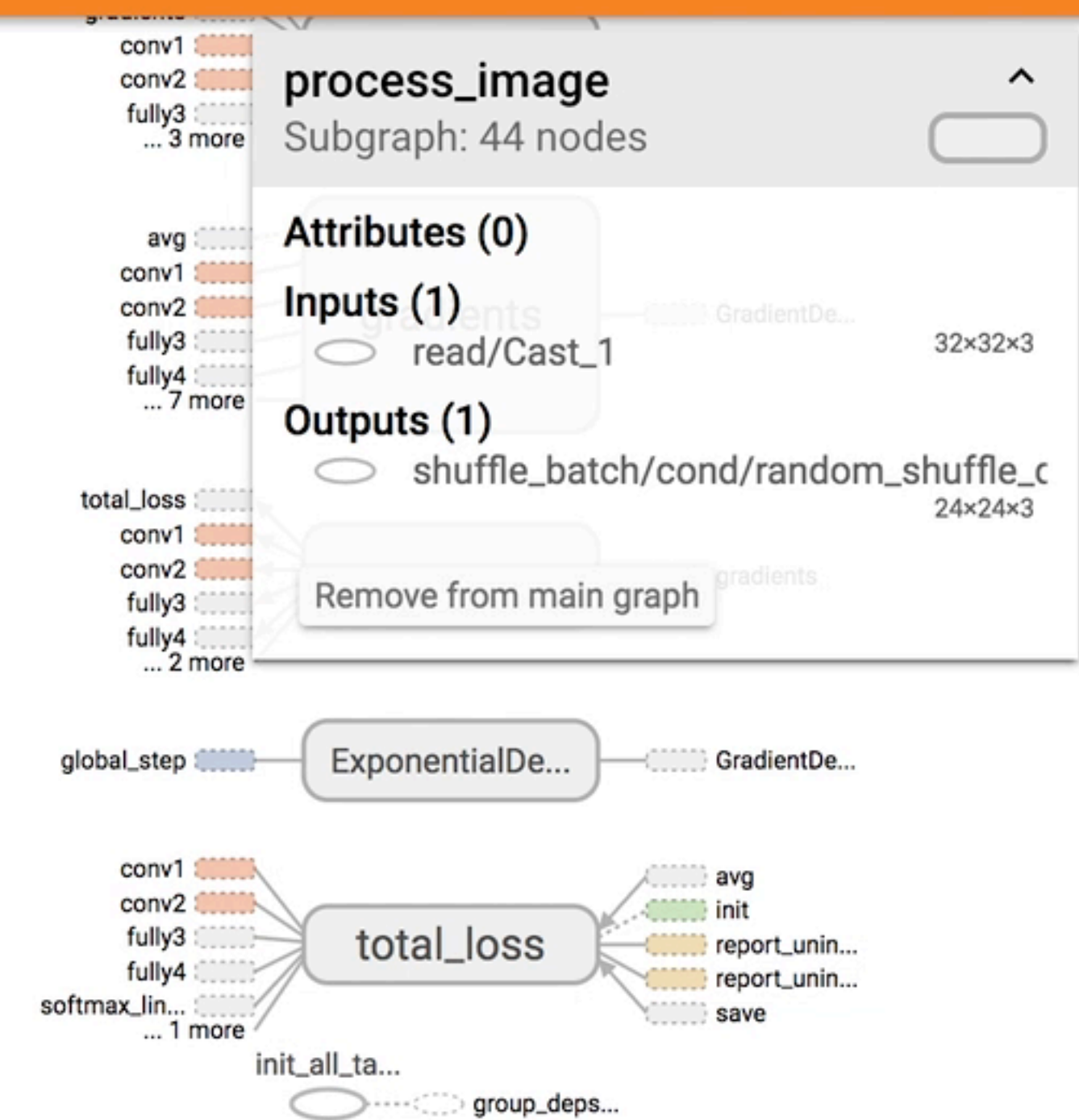
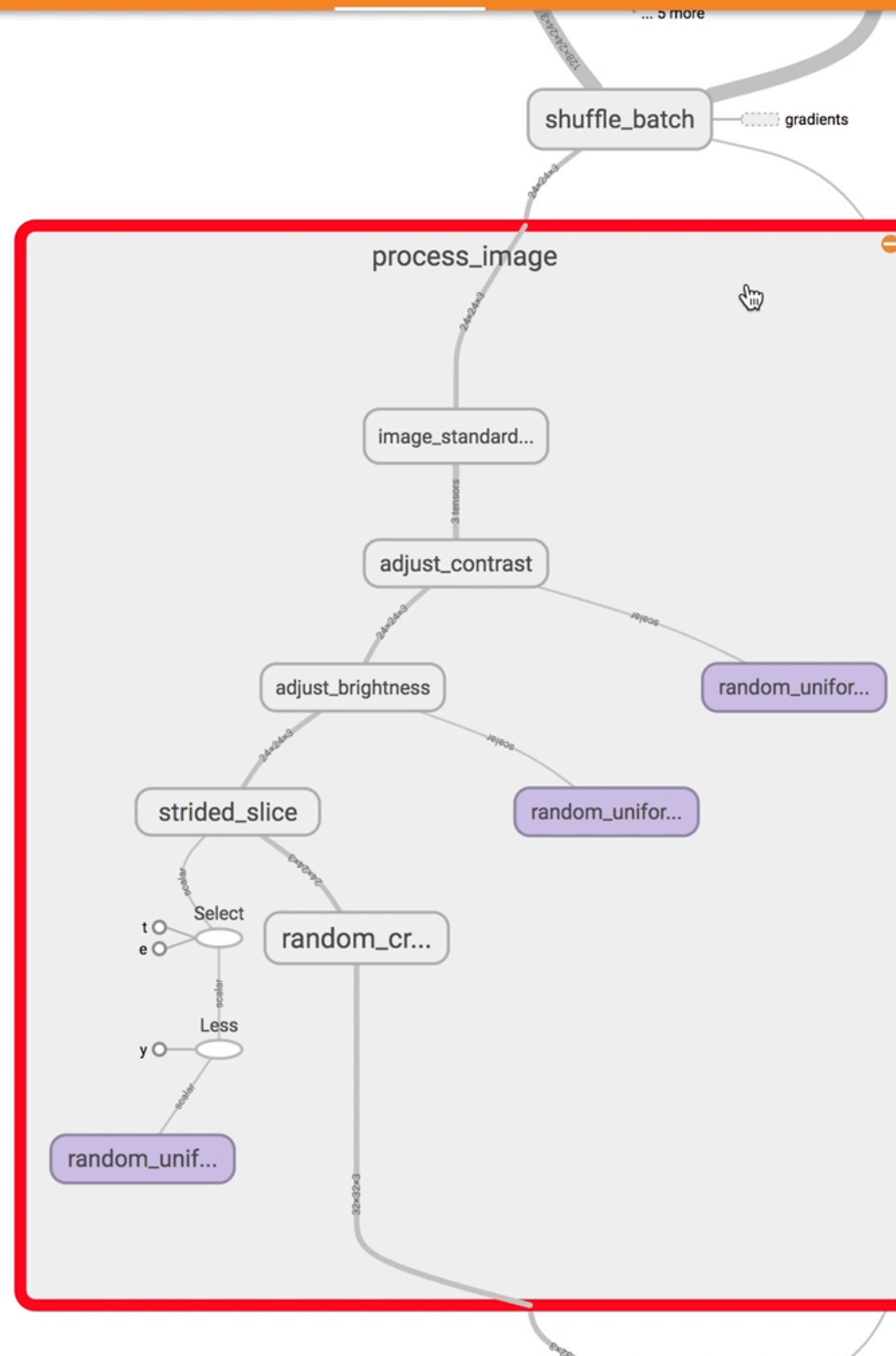
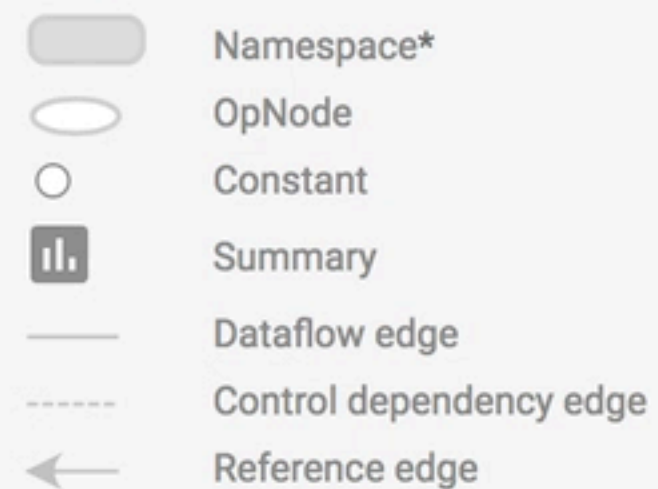


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


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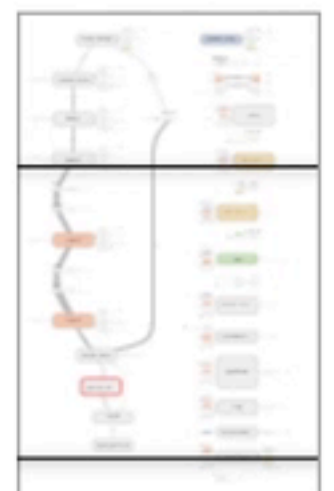
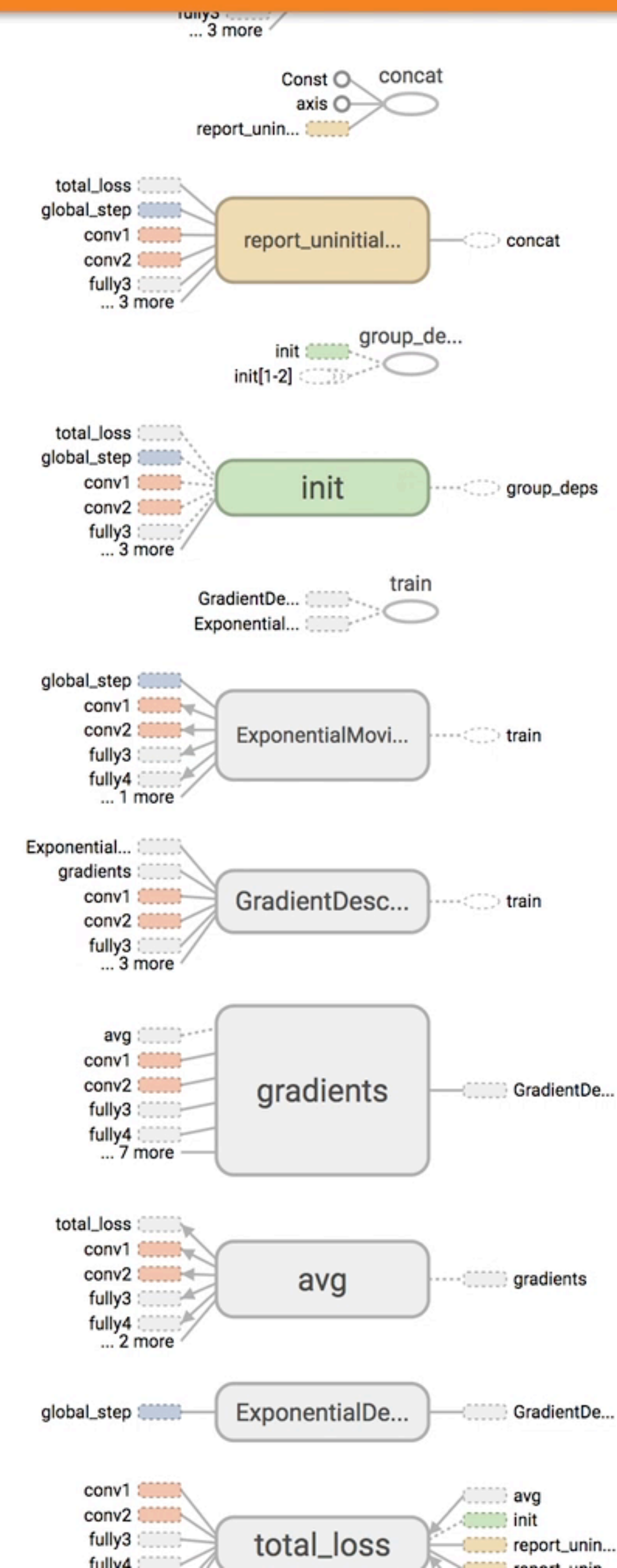
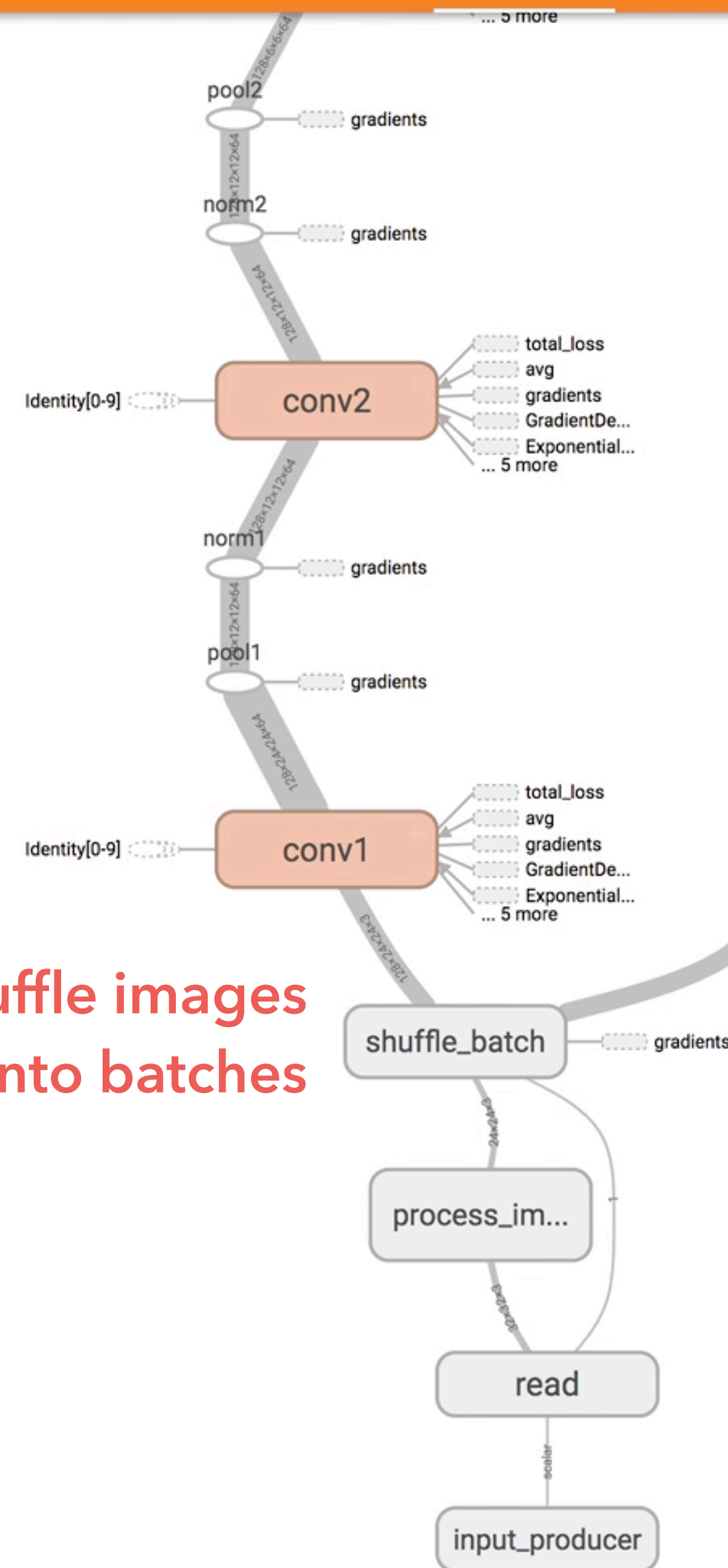
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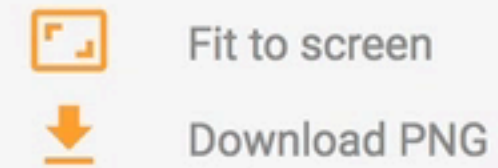
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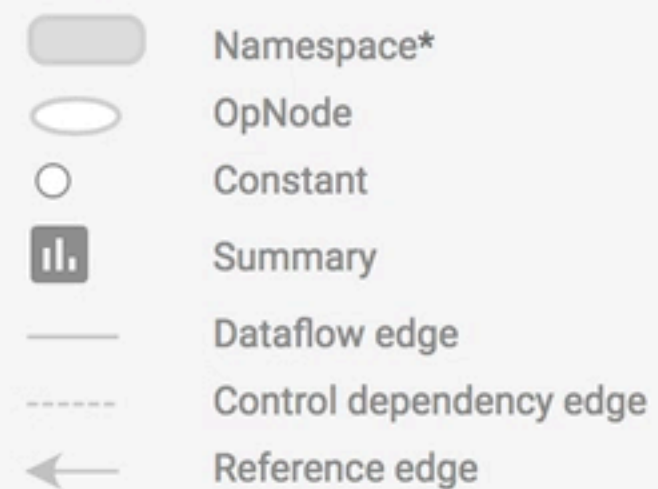
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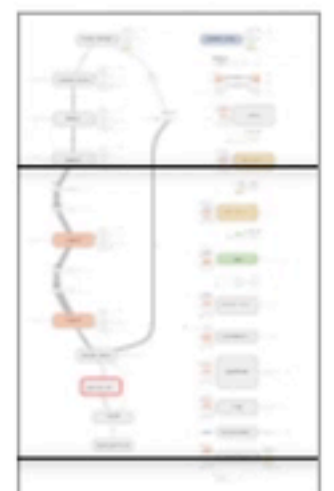
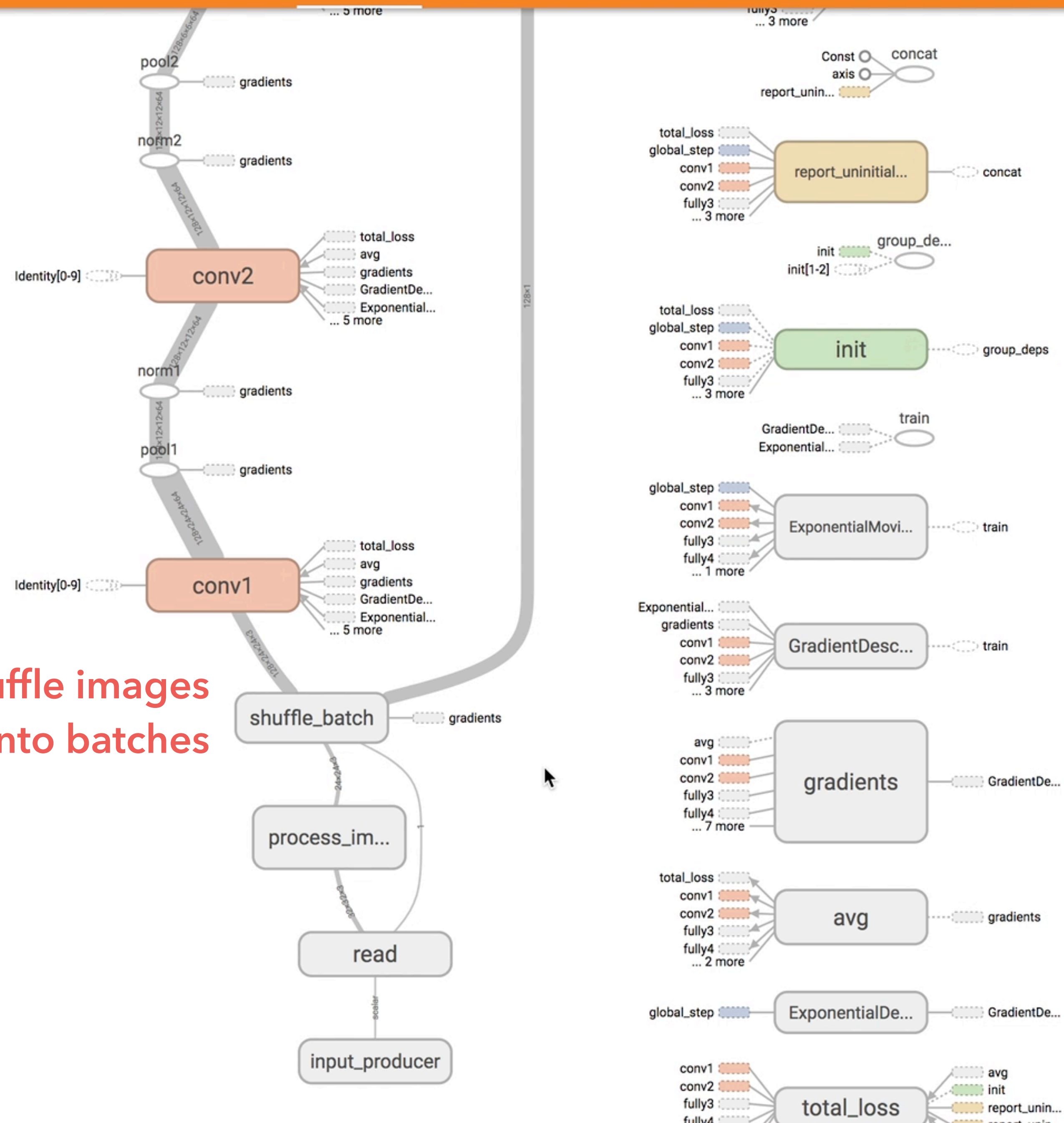
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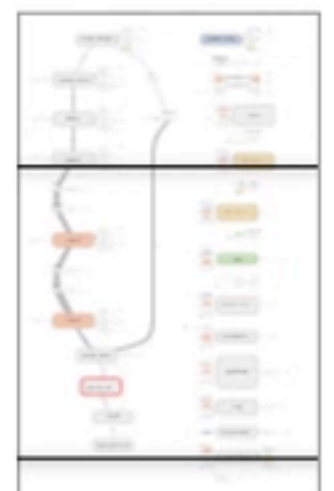


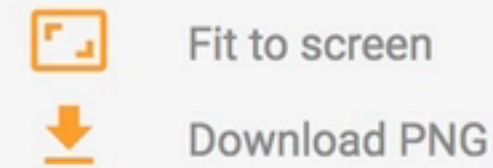
shuffle images
into batches



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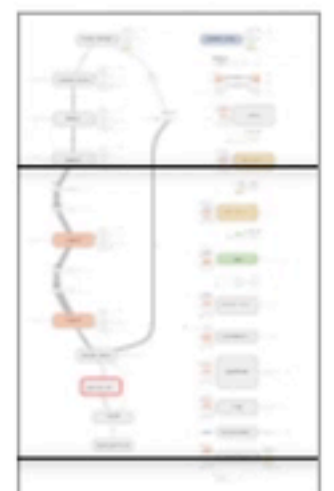
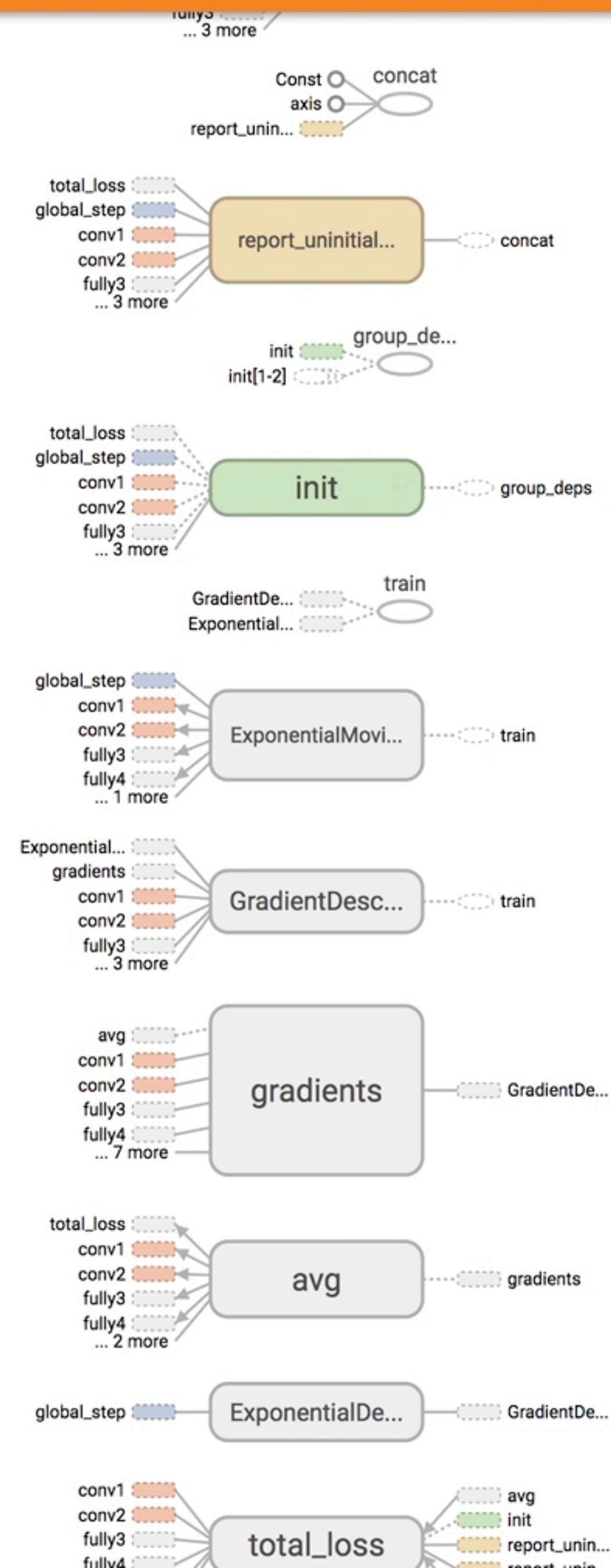
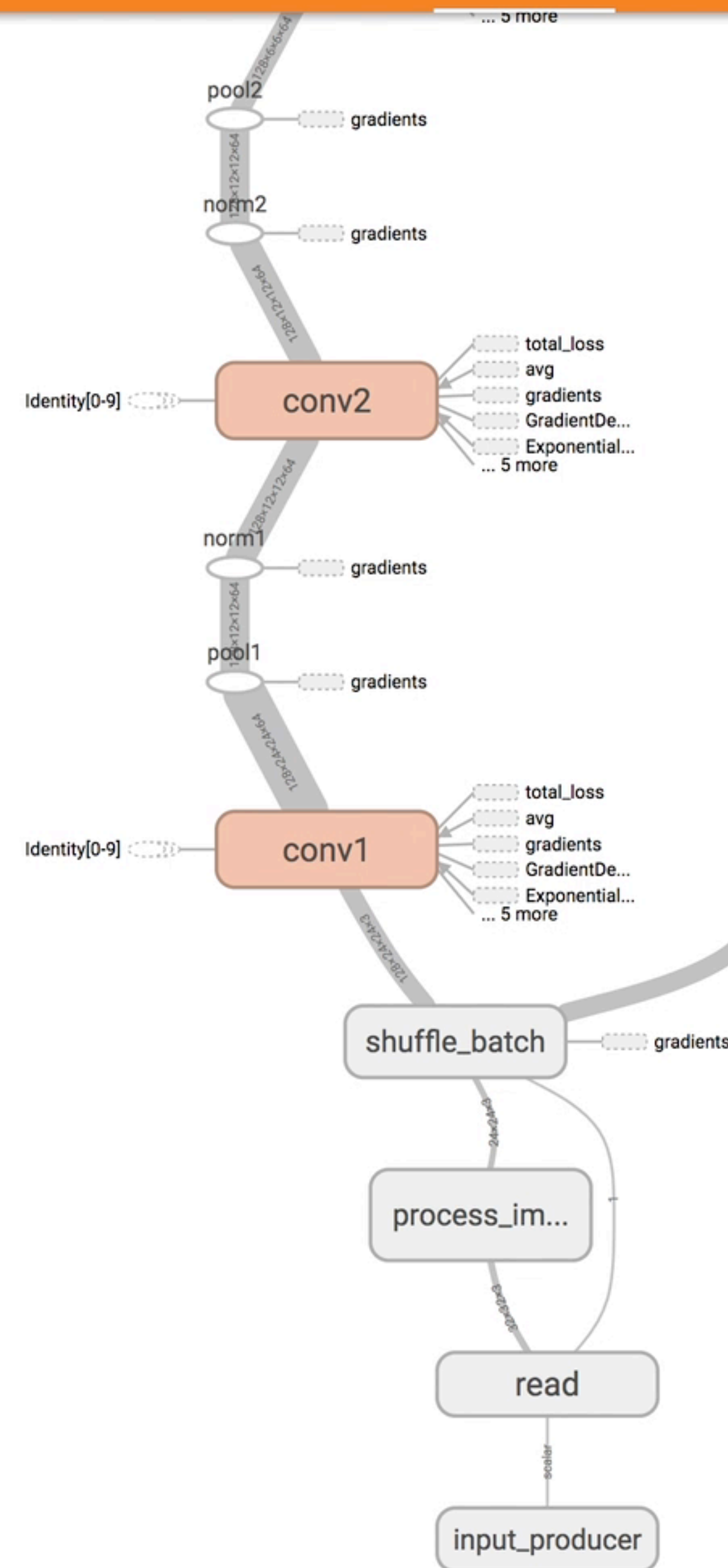
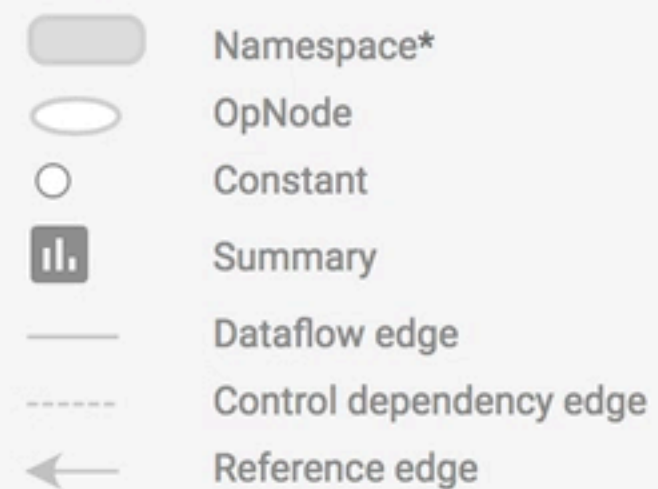
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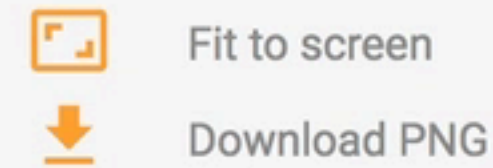
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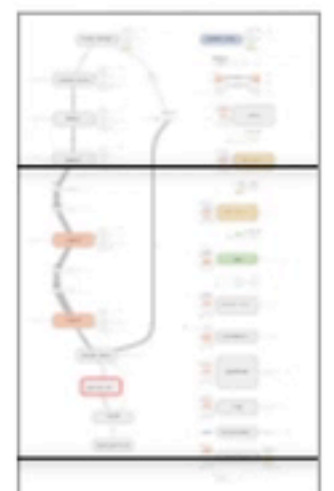
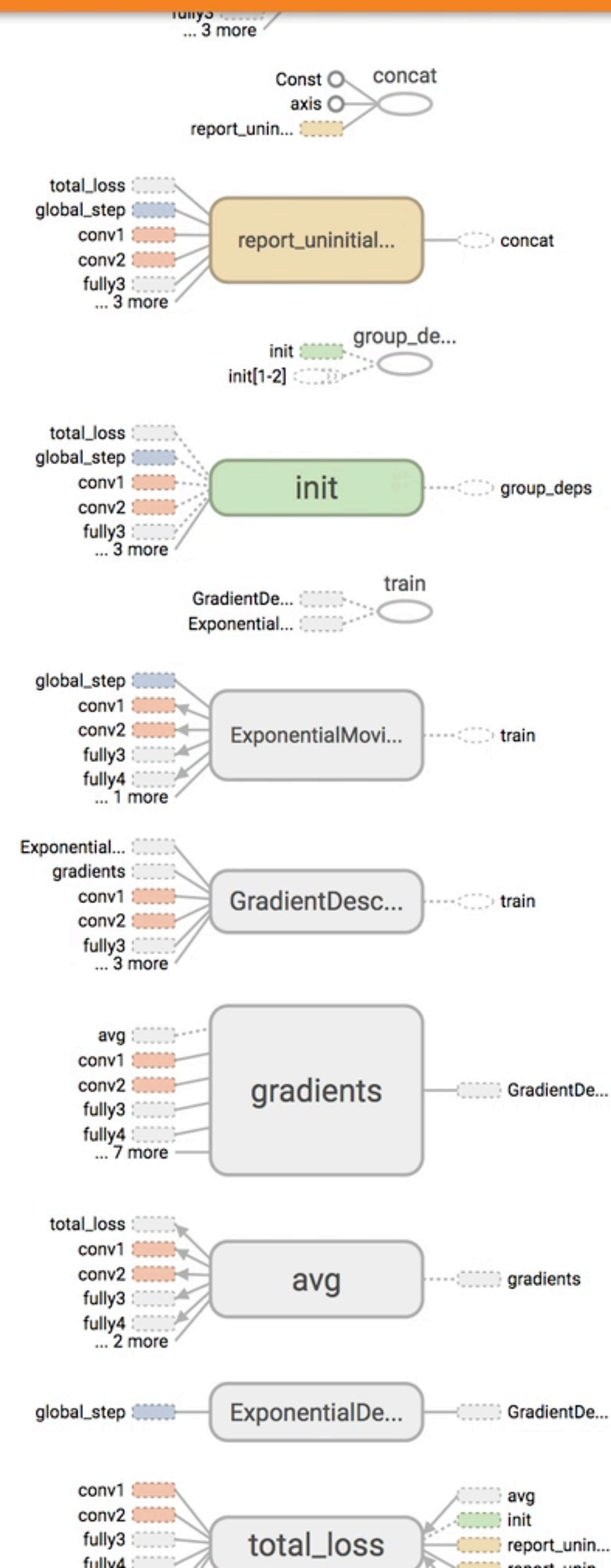
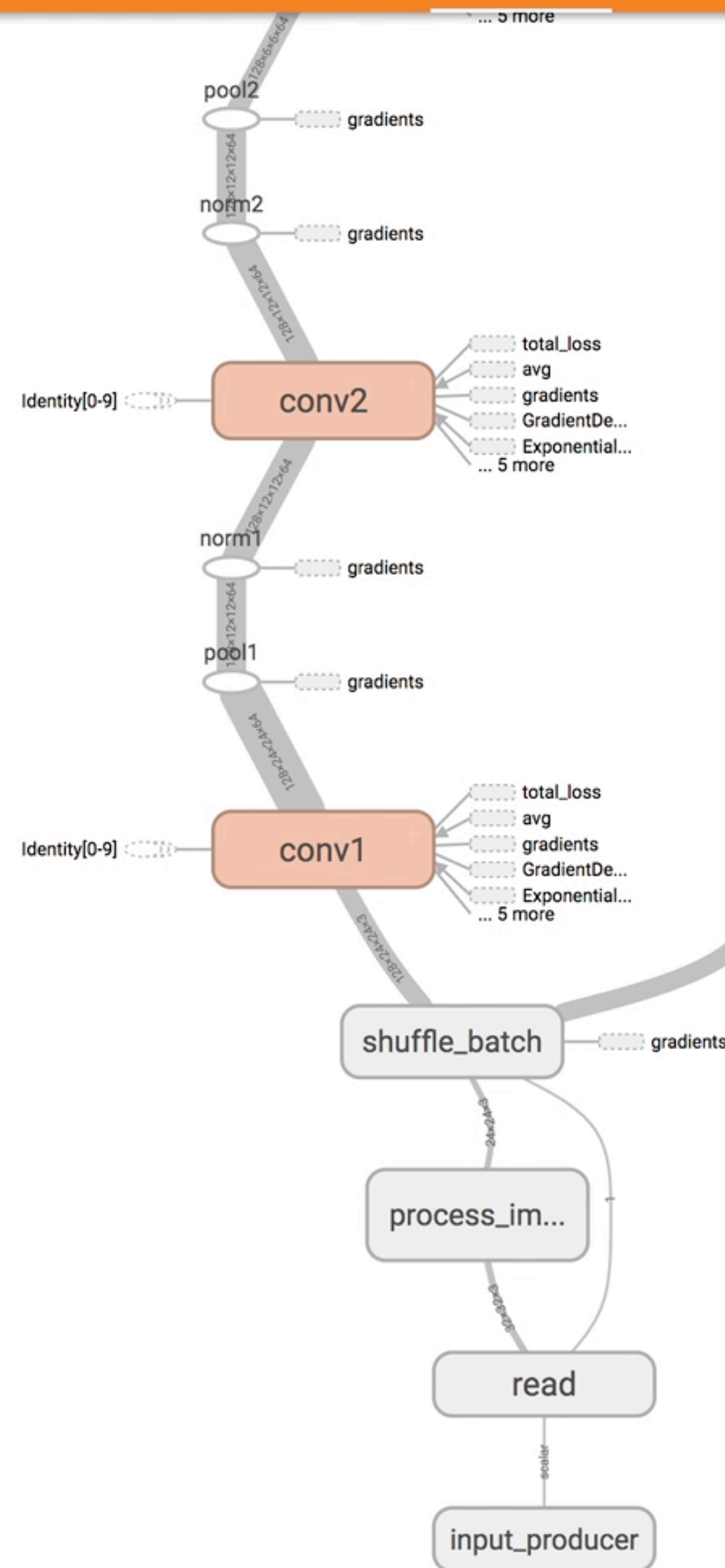
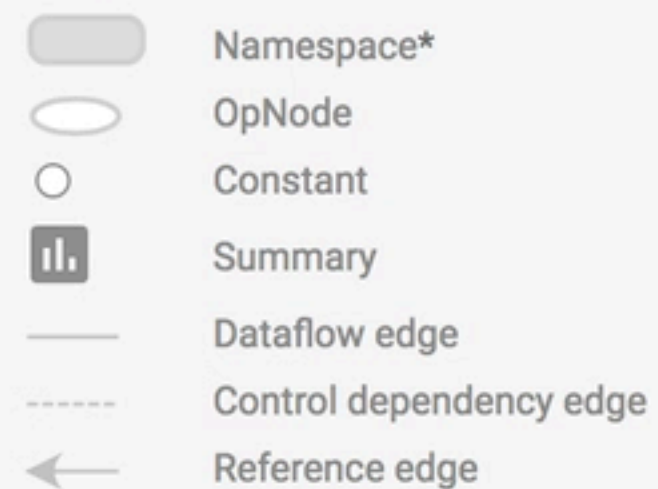
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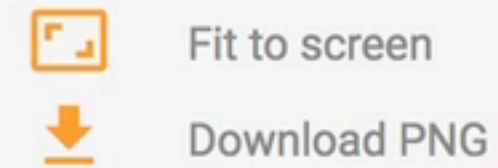
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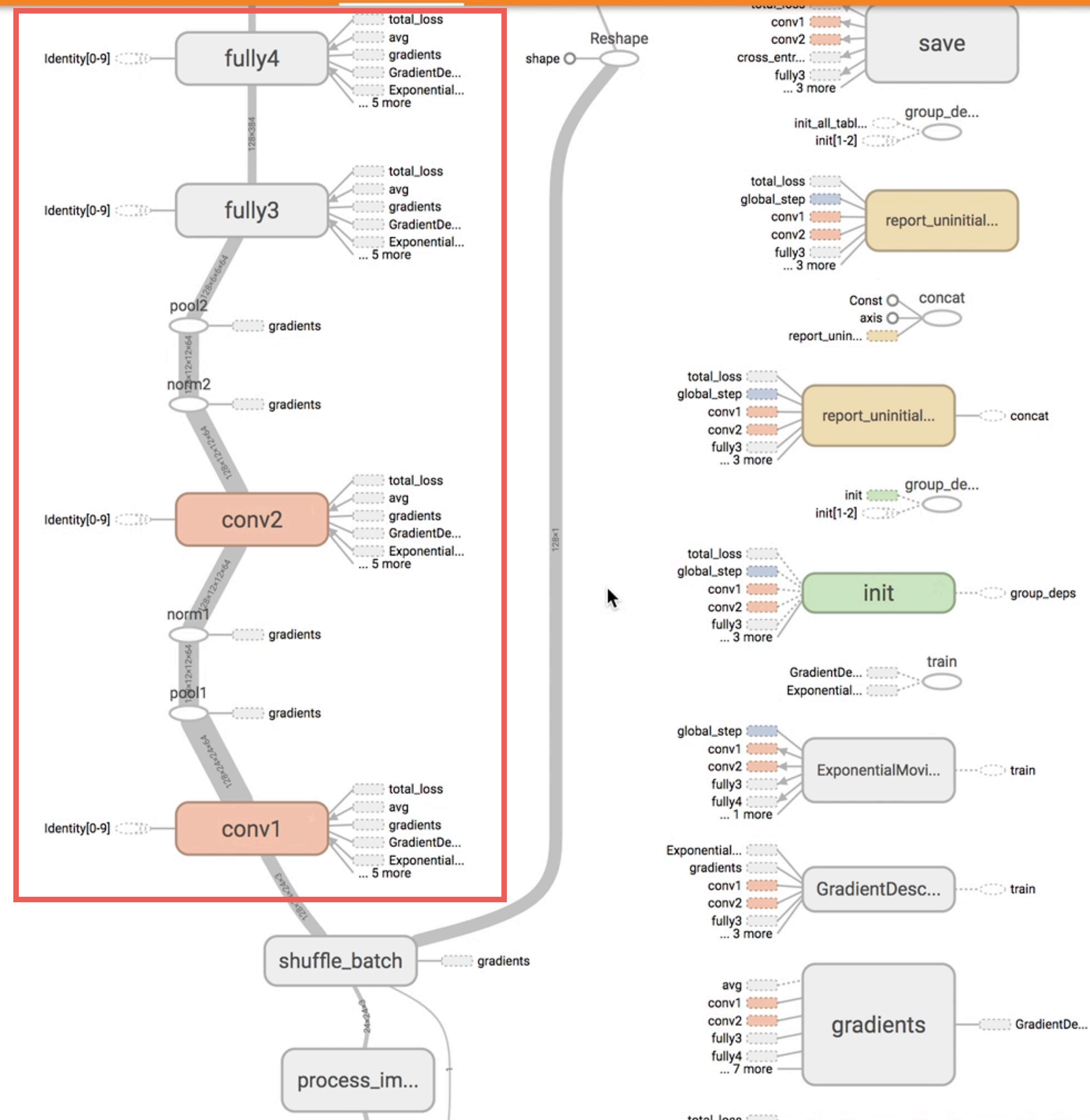
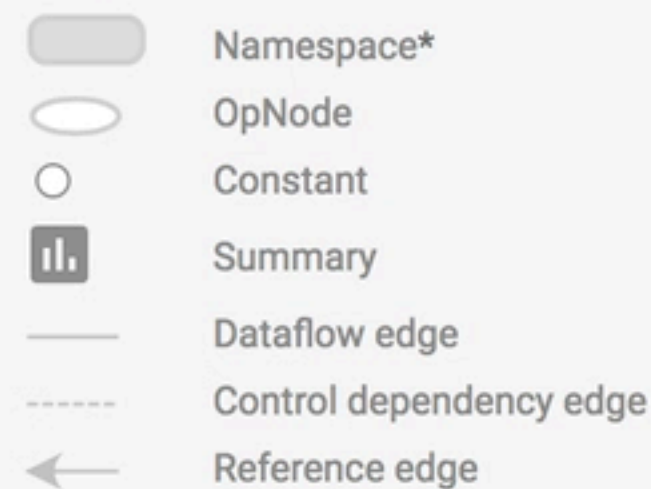
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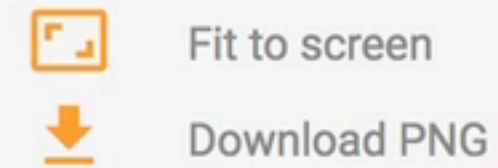
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Neural Network Layers

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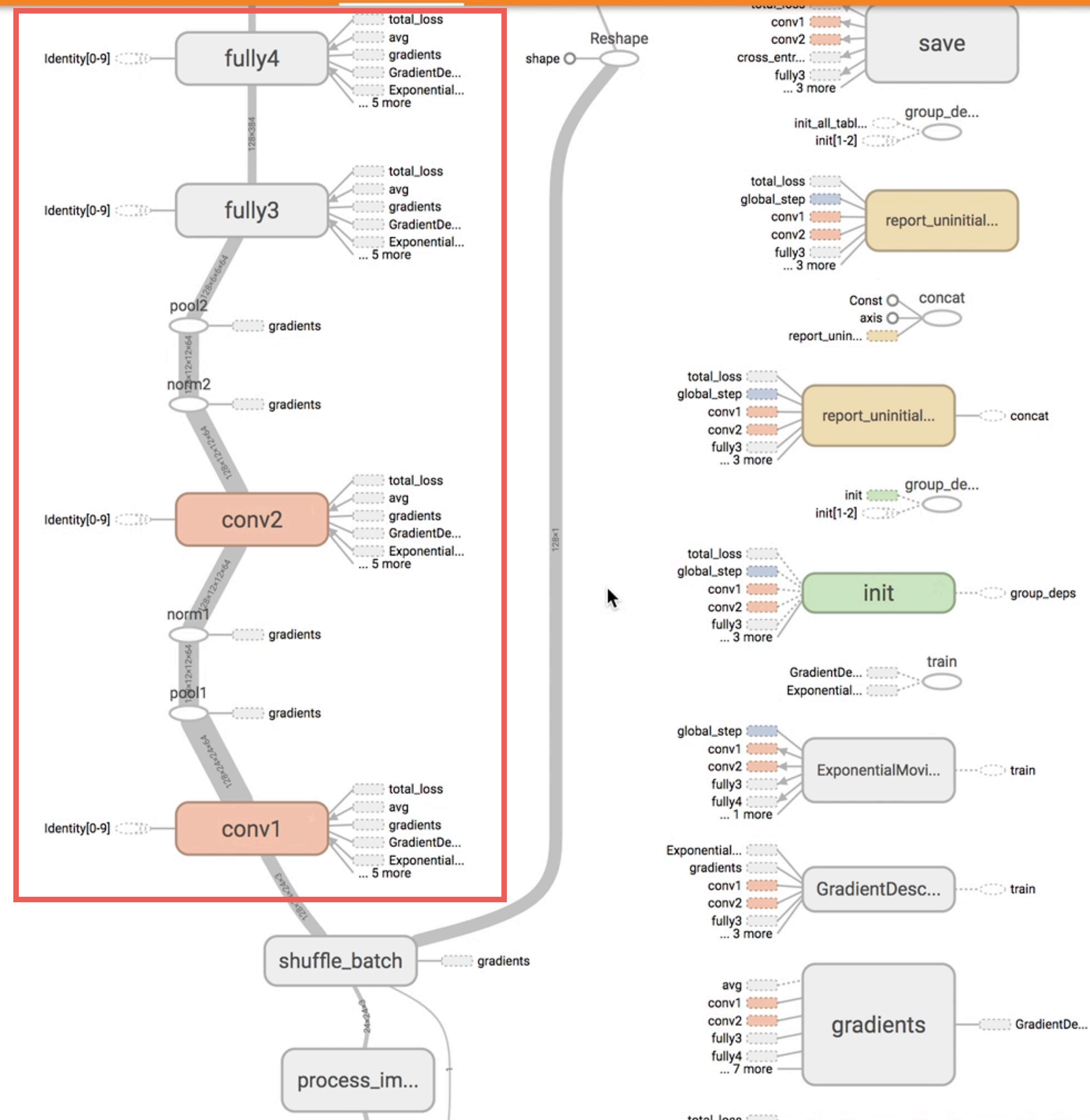
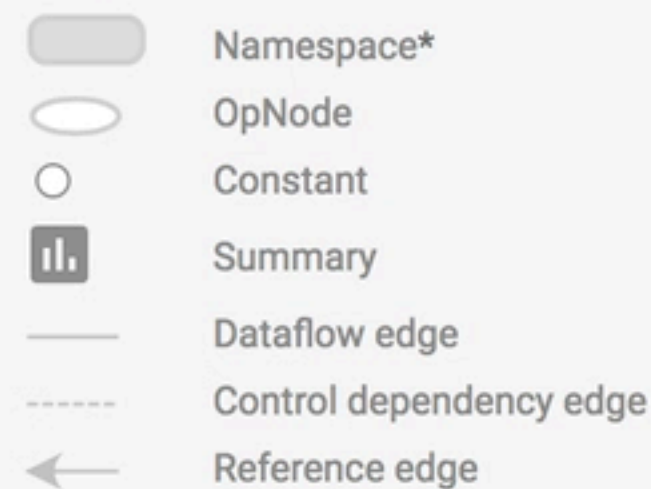
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
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





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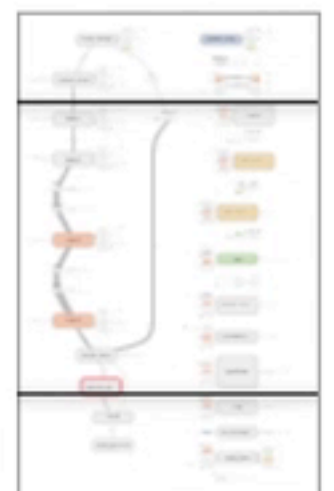
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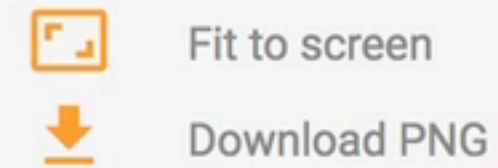


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Use shared parameters to make higher-level features

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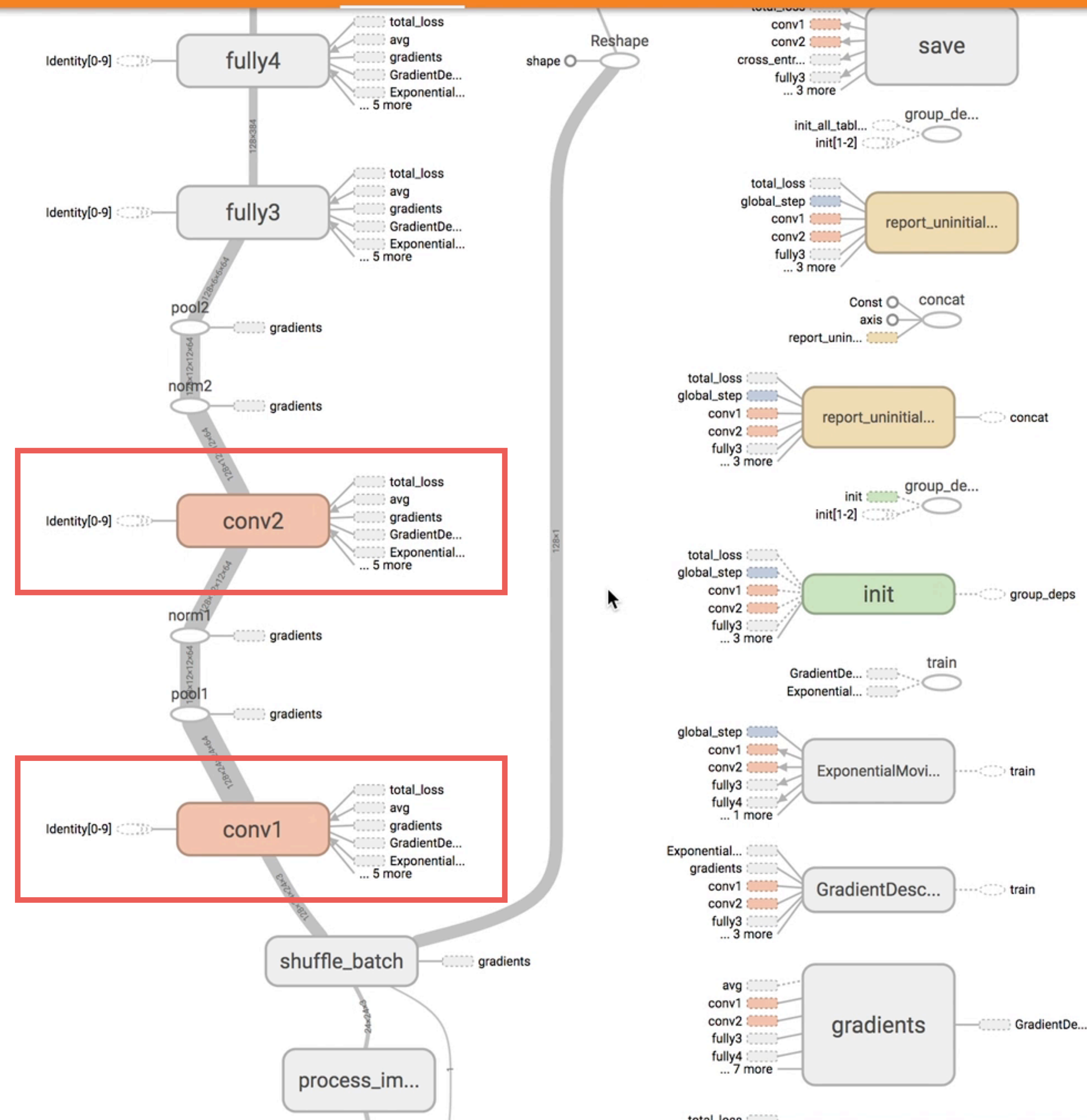
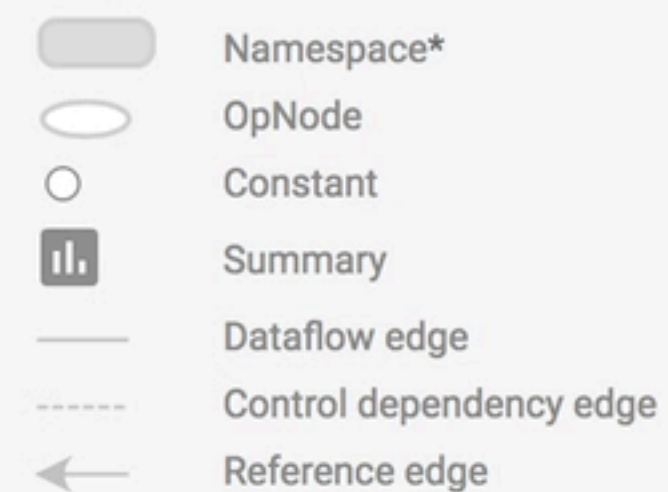
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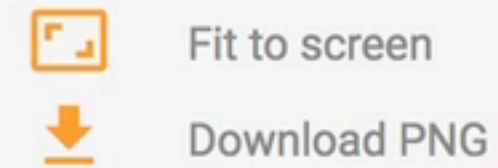
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Two Identical Convolution Layers

Use shared parameters to make higher-level features

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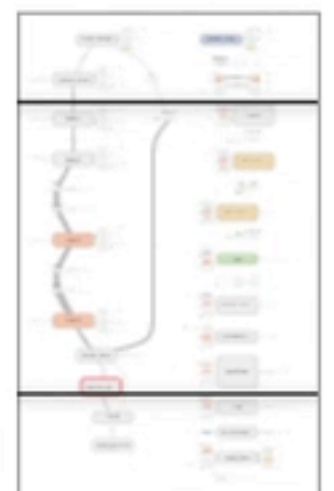
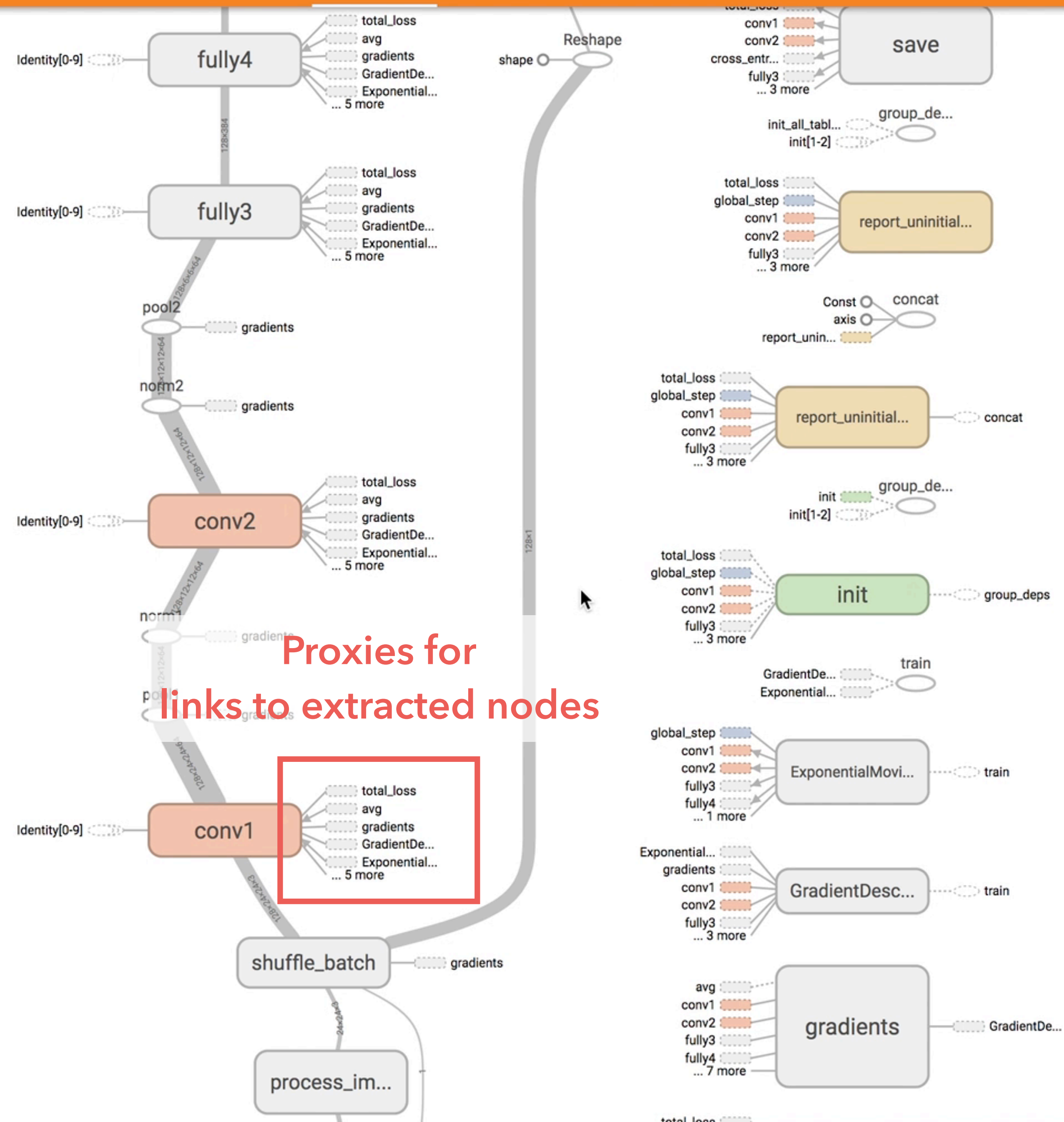
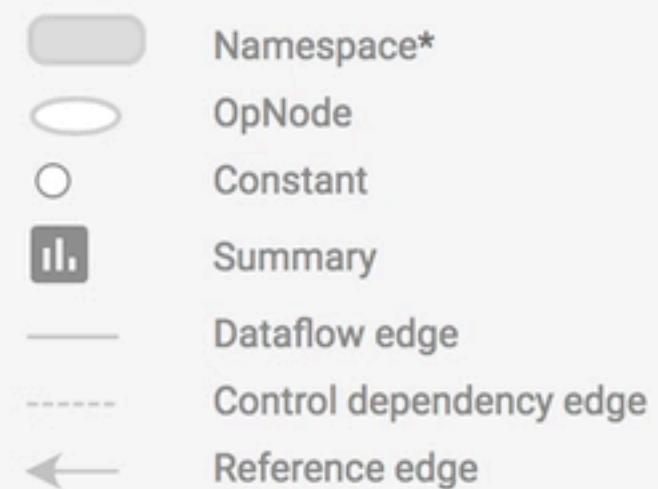
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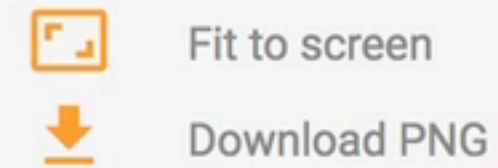
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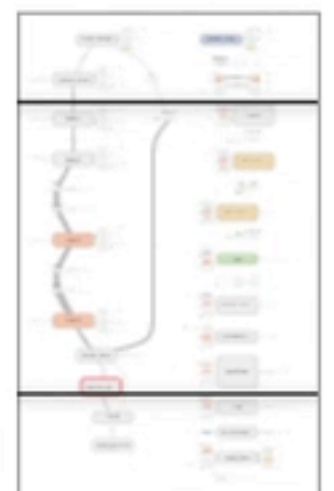
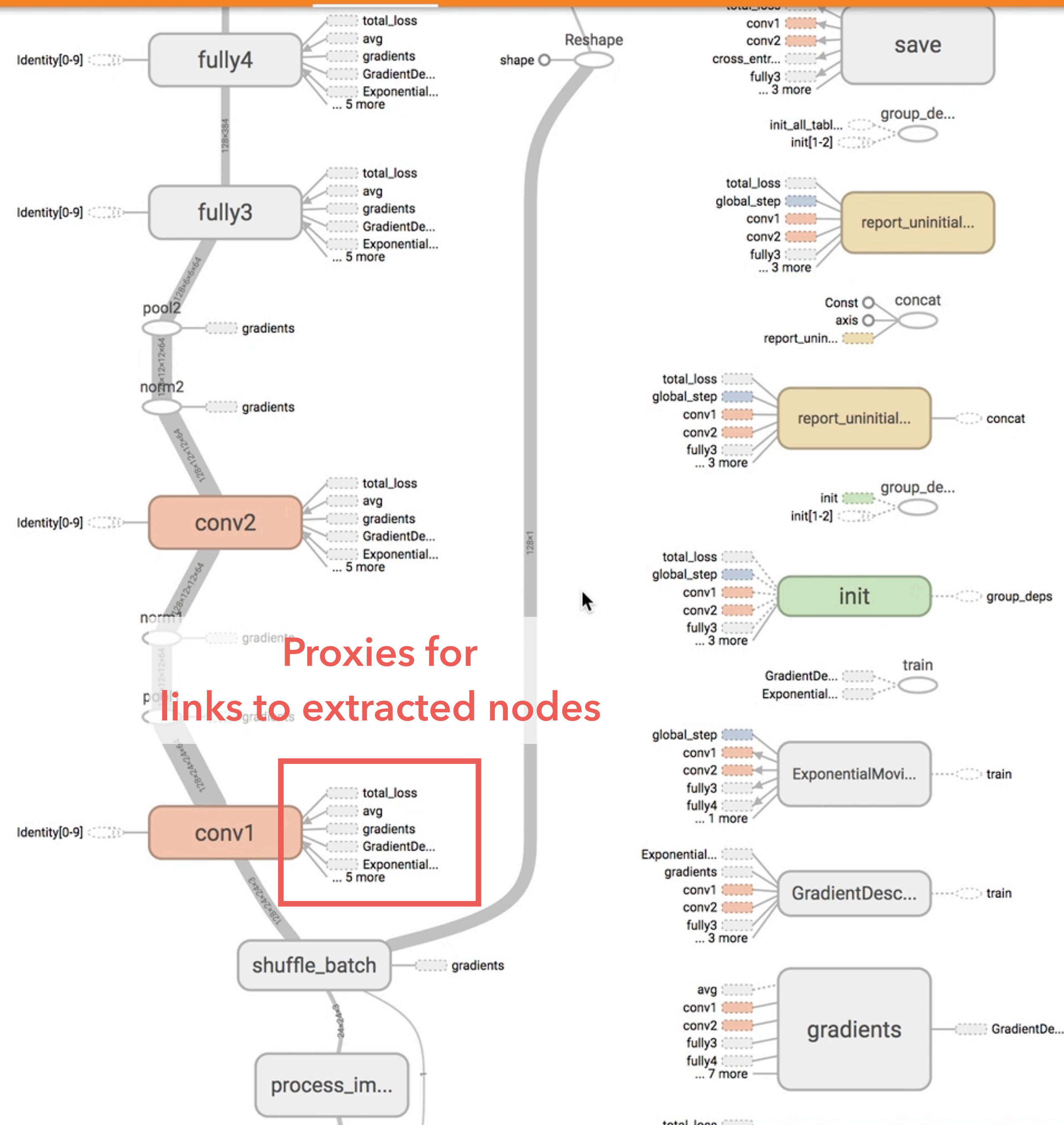
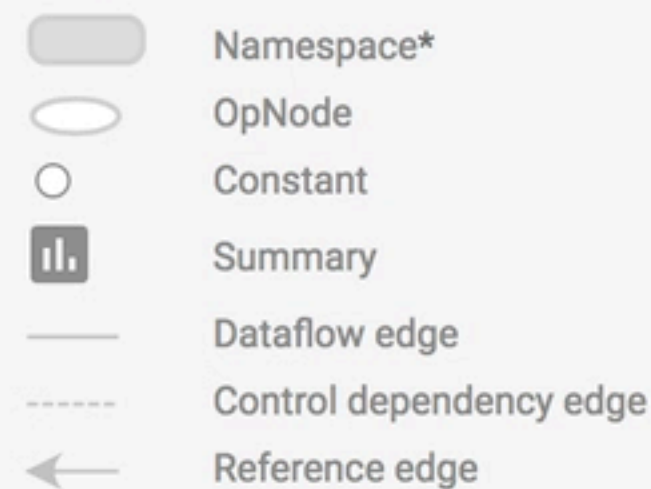
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





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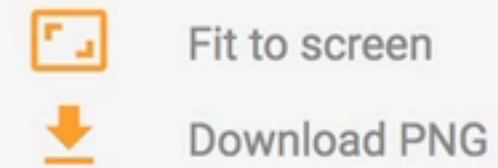
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Trace inputs ☐

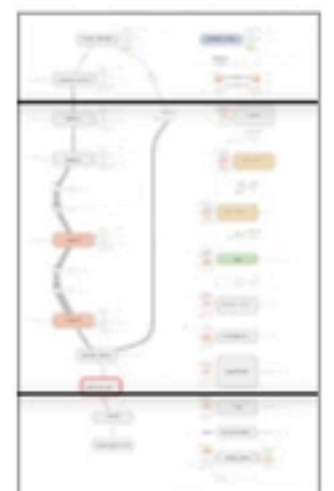
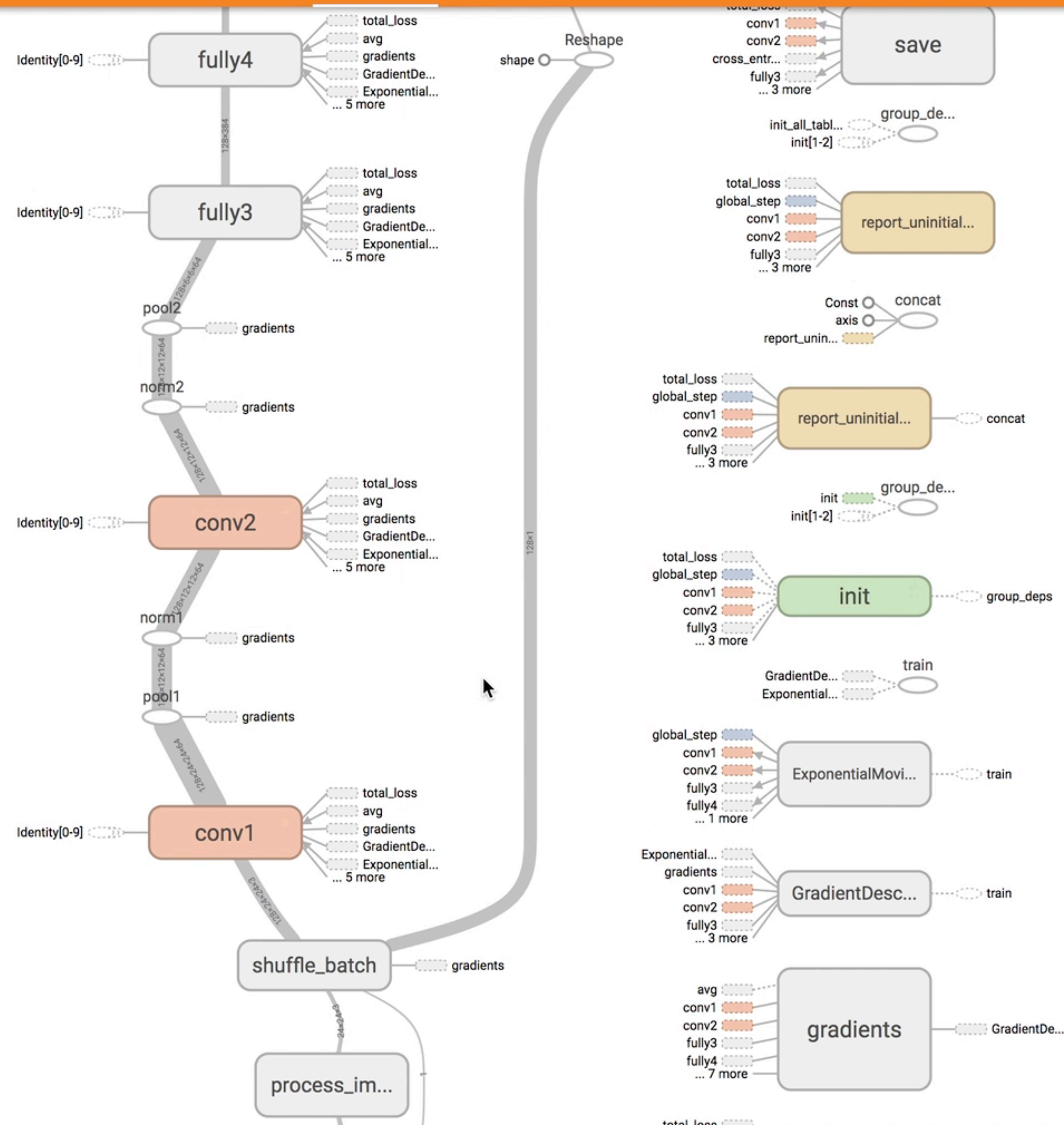
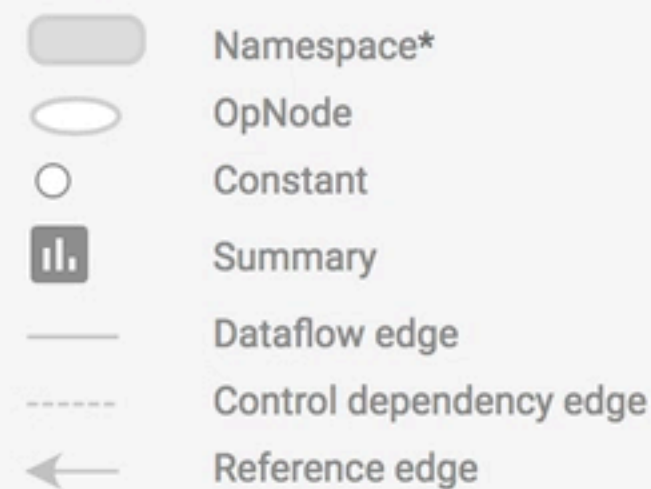
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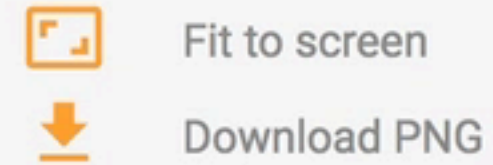
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Graph (* = expandable)



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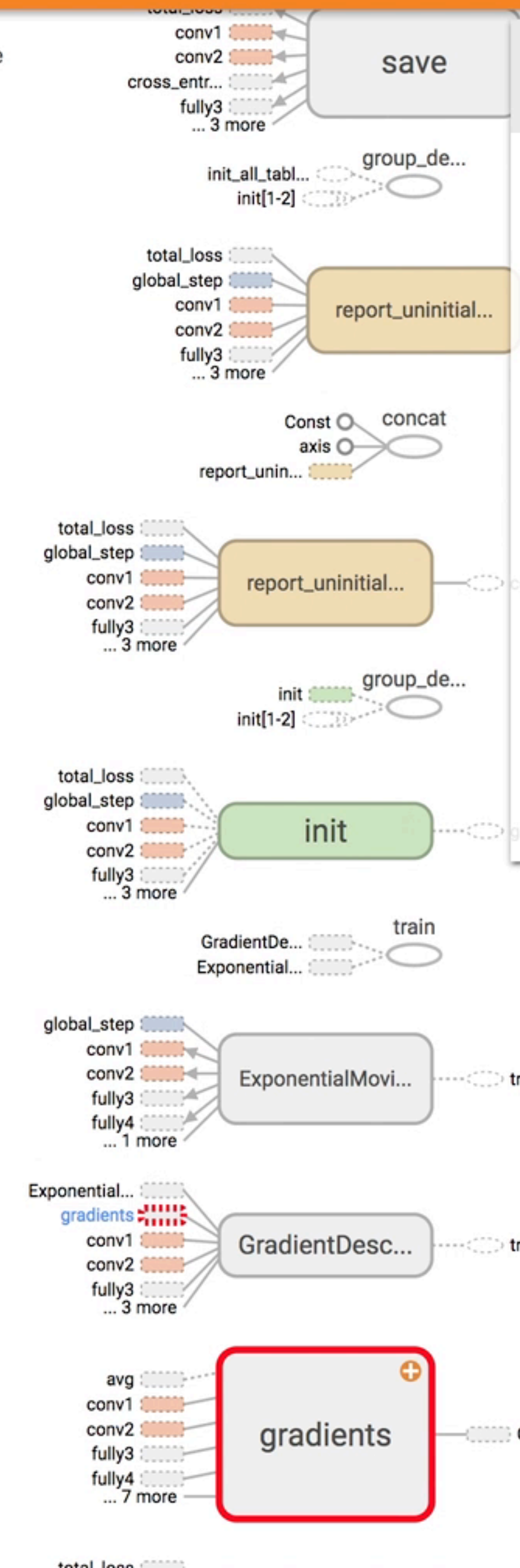
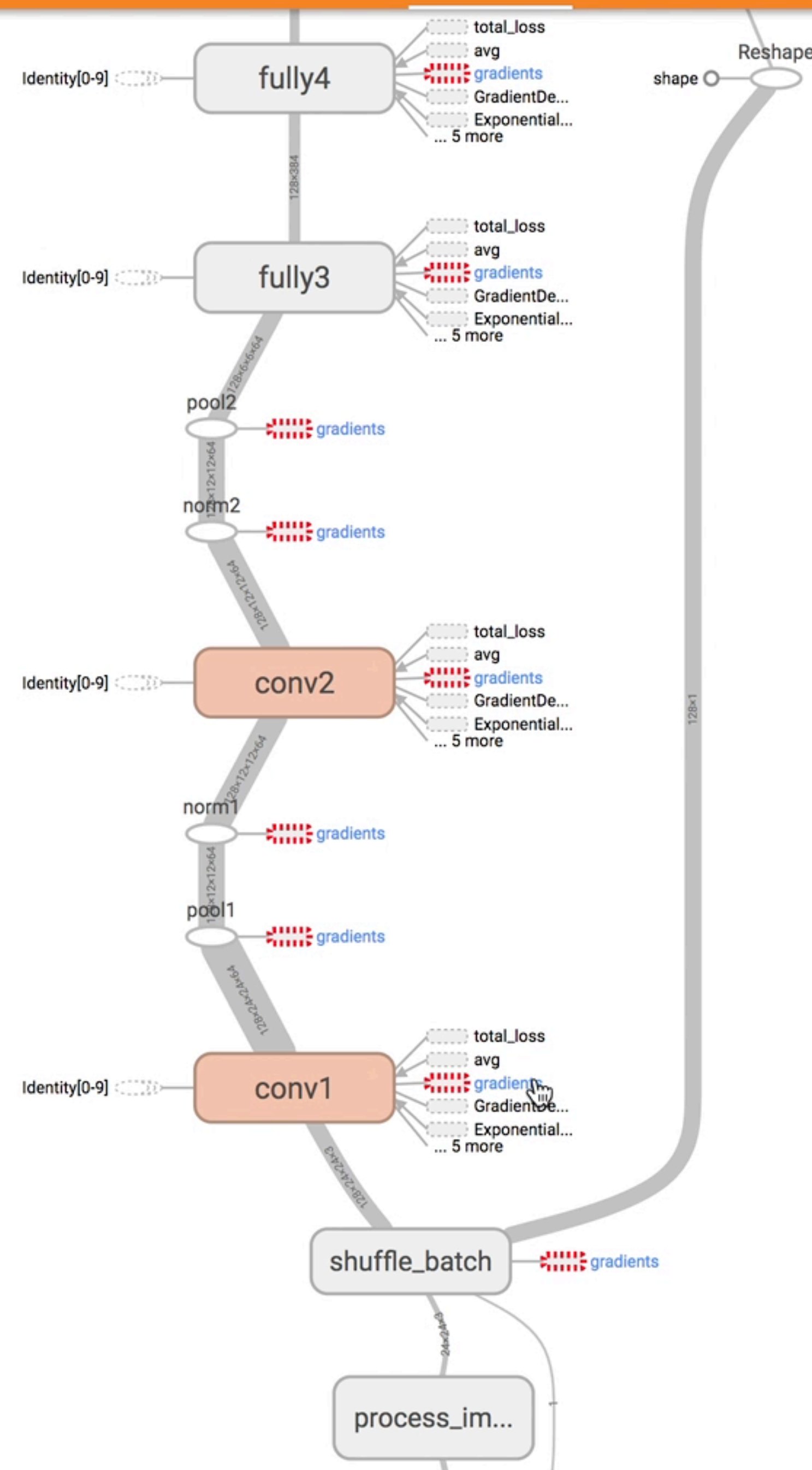
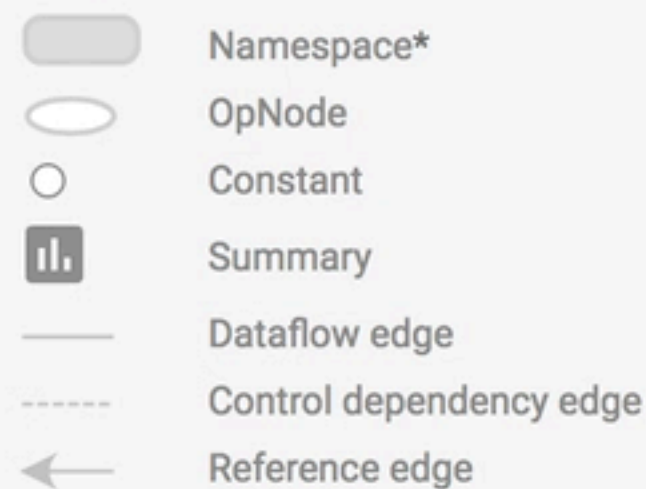
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gradients

Subgraph: 146 nodes

Attributes (0)

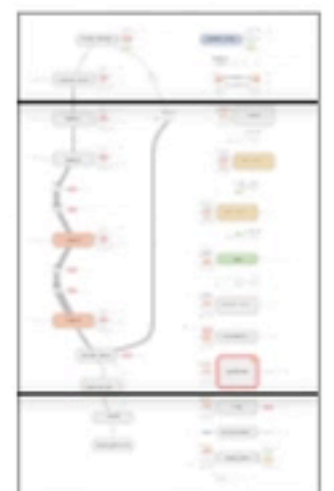
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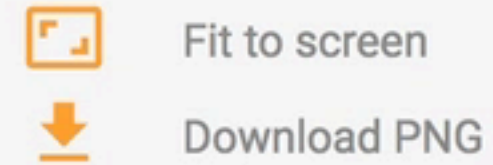
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	cross_entropy	2 tensors
	norm2	2 tensors
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	norm1	2 tensors
	pool1	2 tensors
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Control dependencies

Outputs (1)

	GradientDescent	10 tensors
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Run run1
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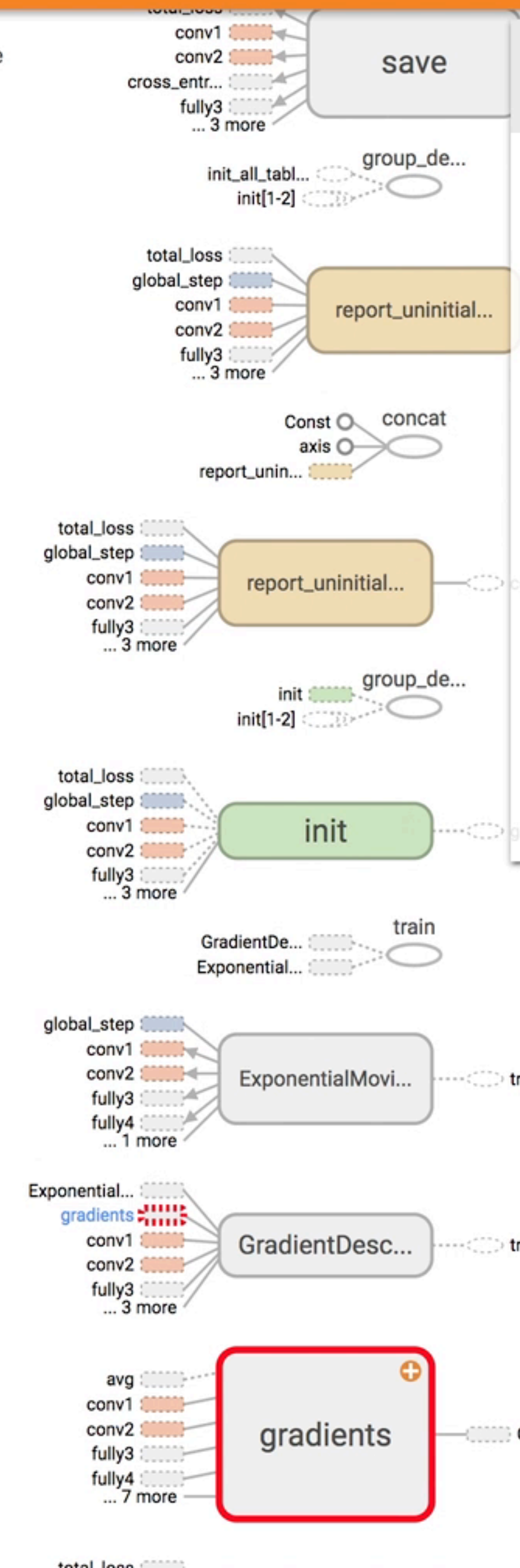
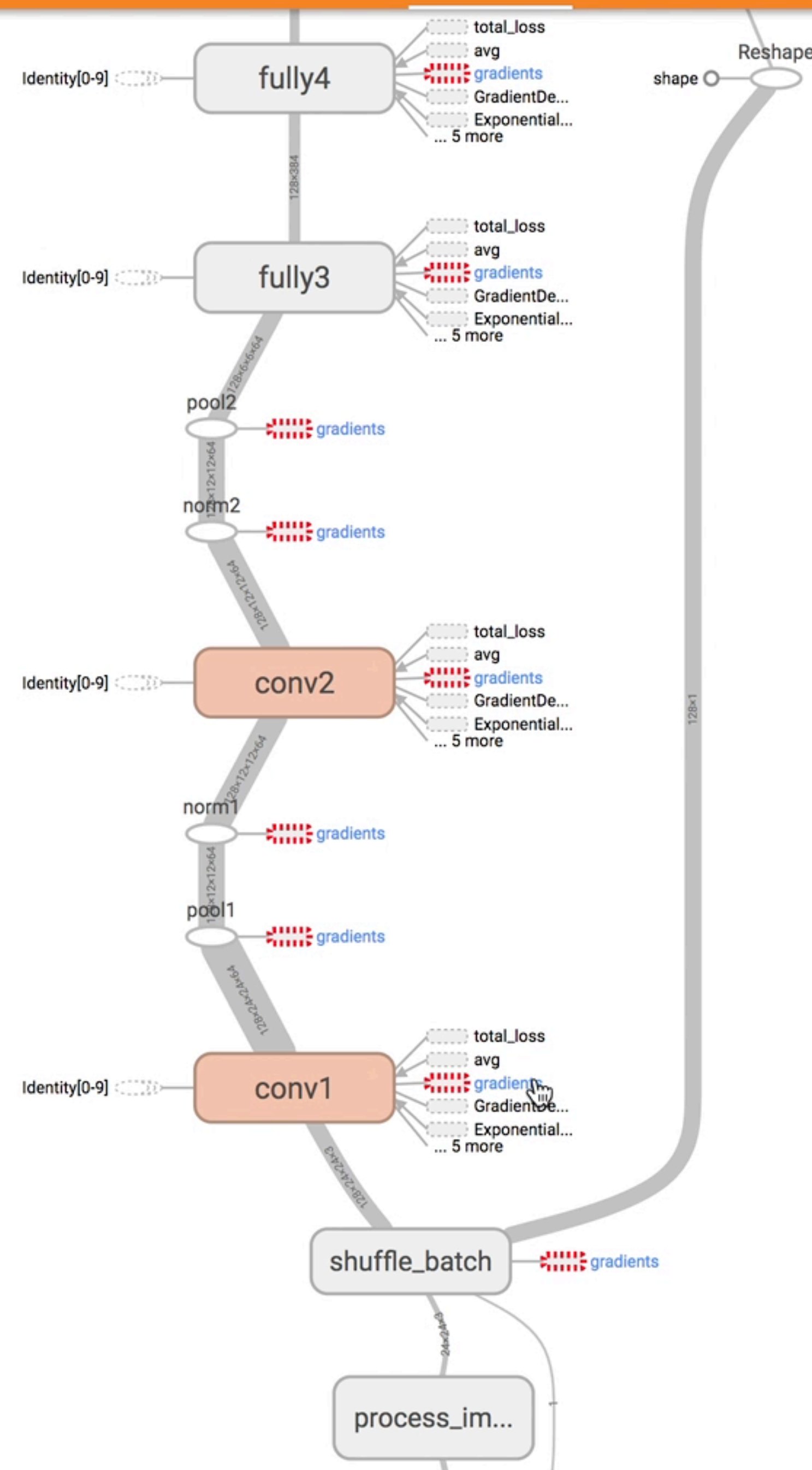
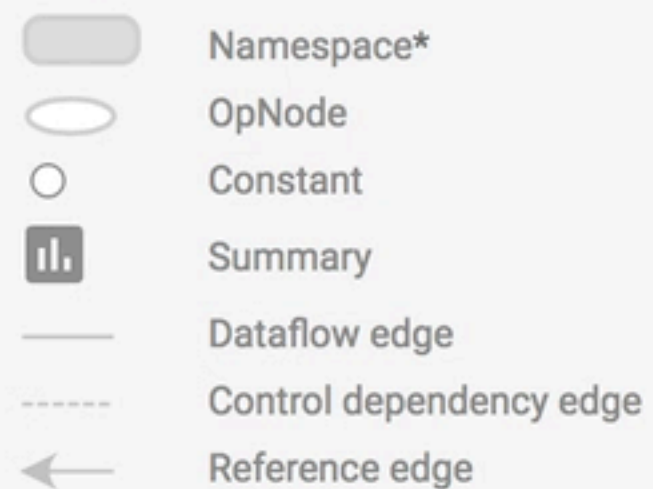
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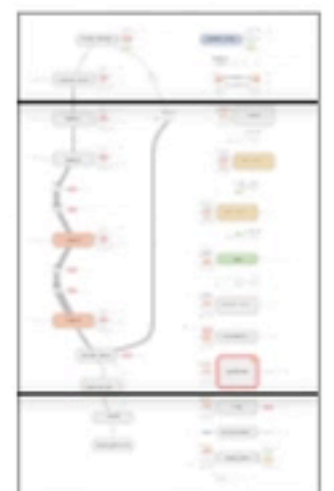
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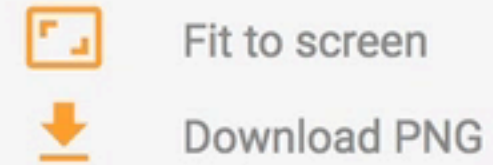
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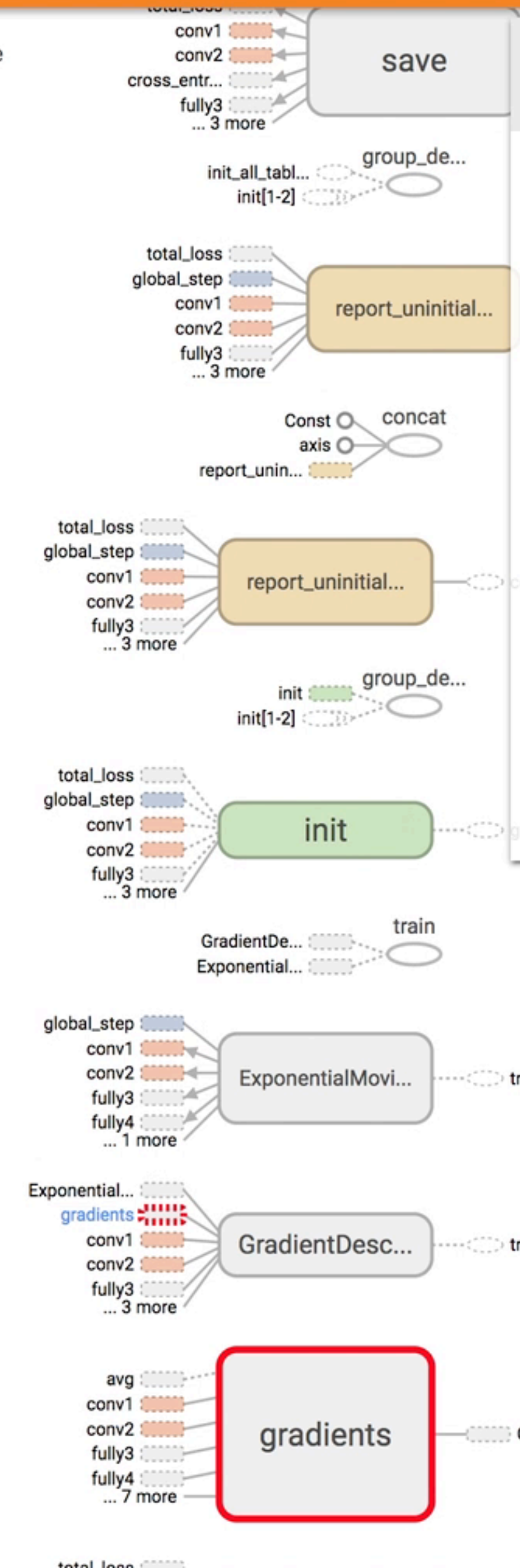
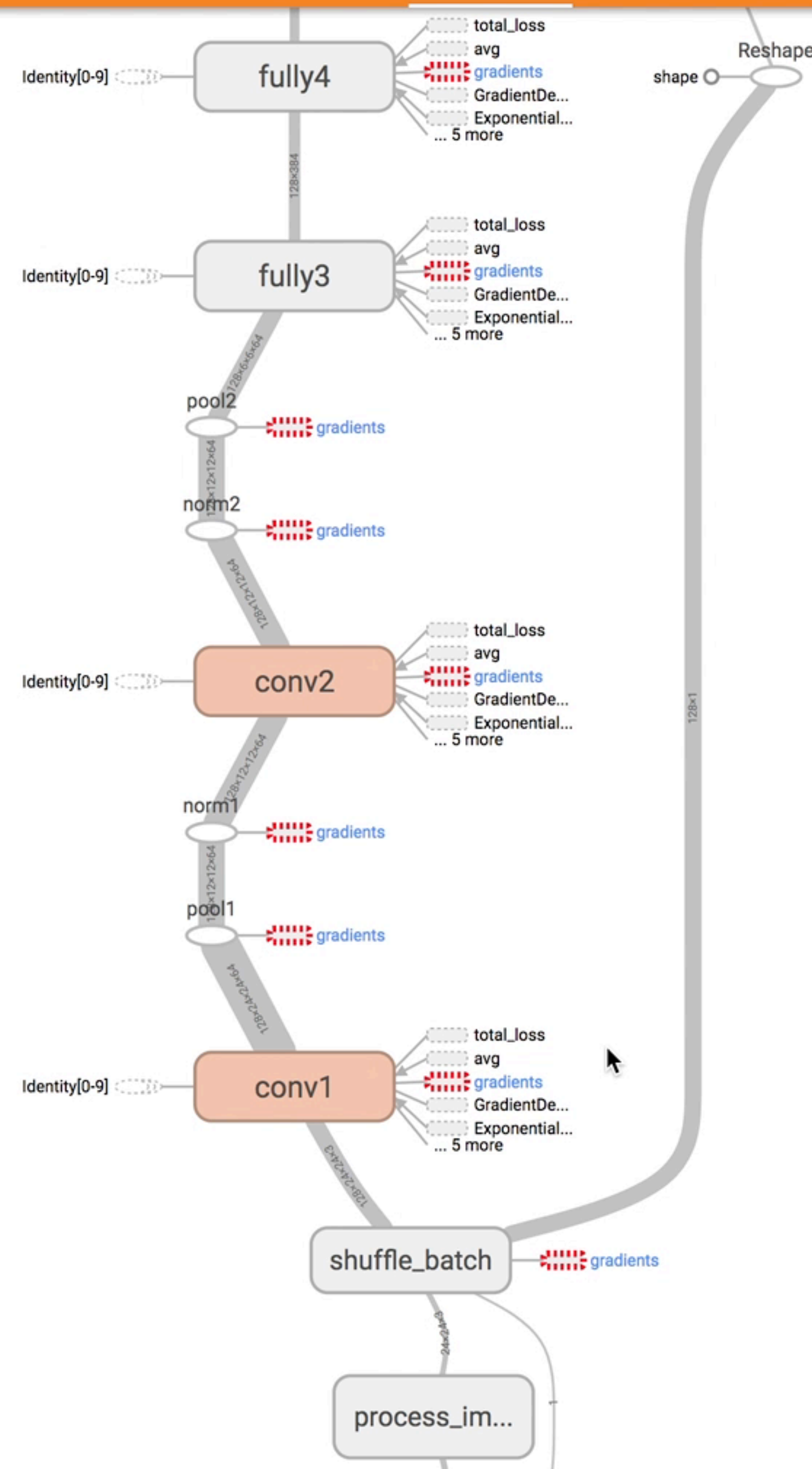
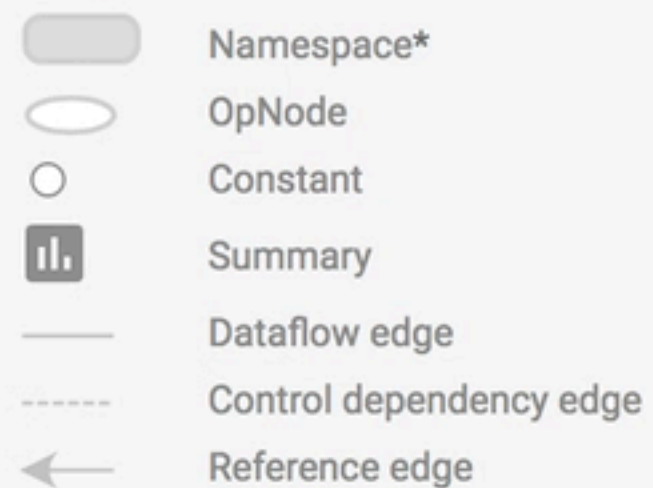
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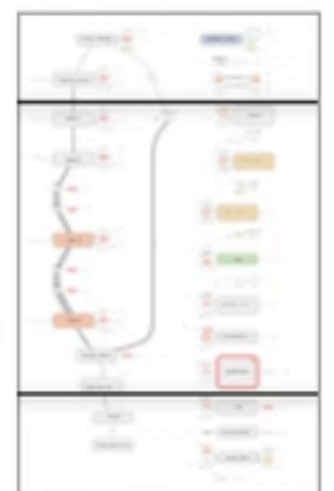
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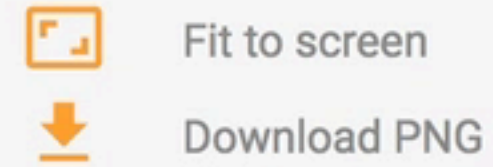
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OpNode

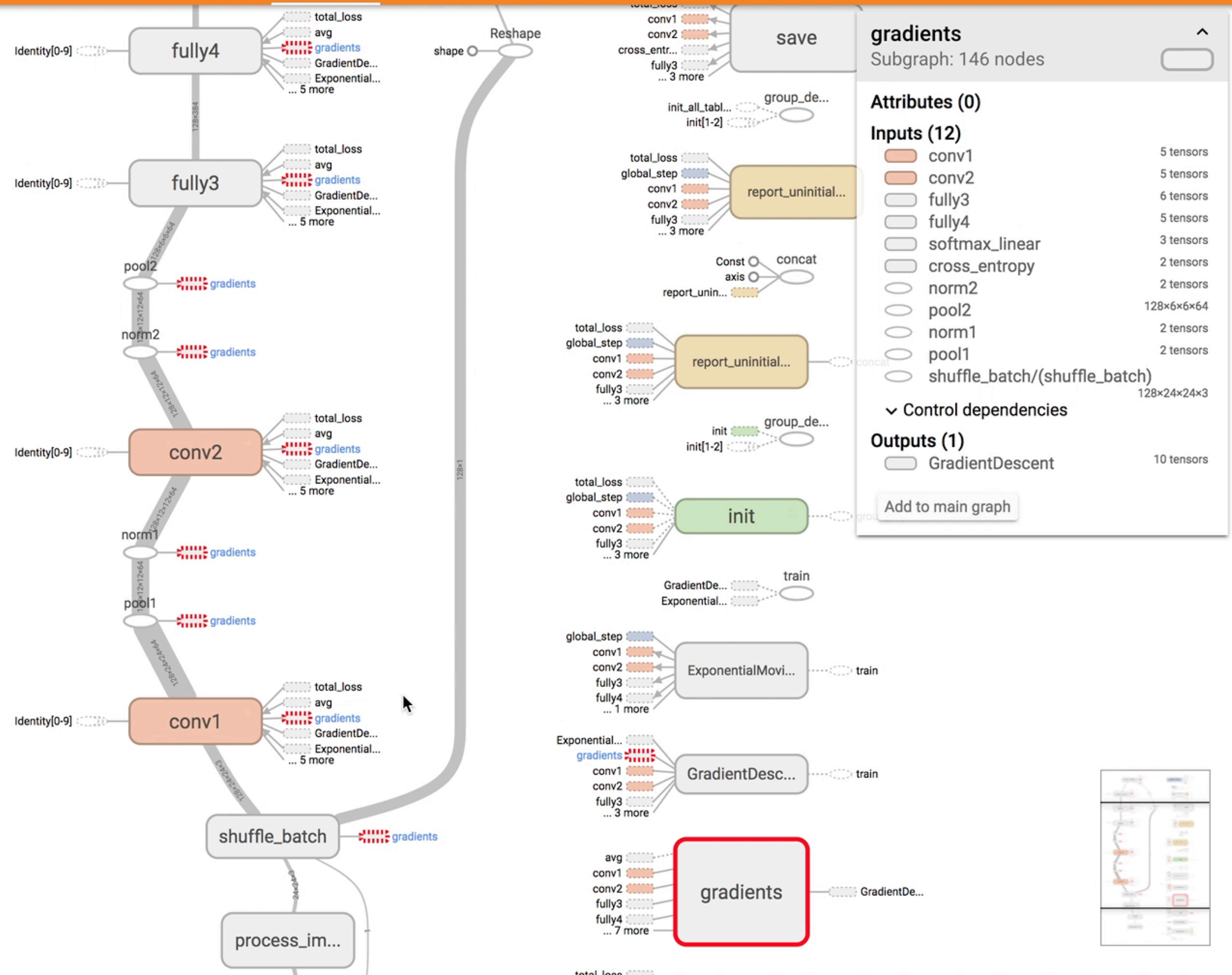
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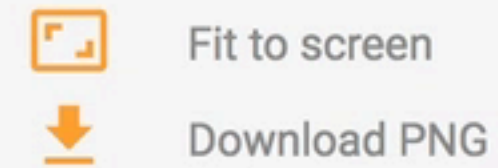
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Dataflow edge

Control dependency edge

Reference edge




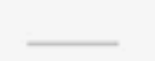

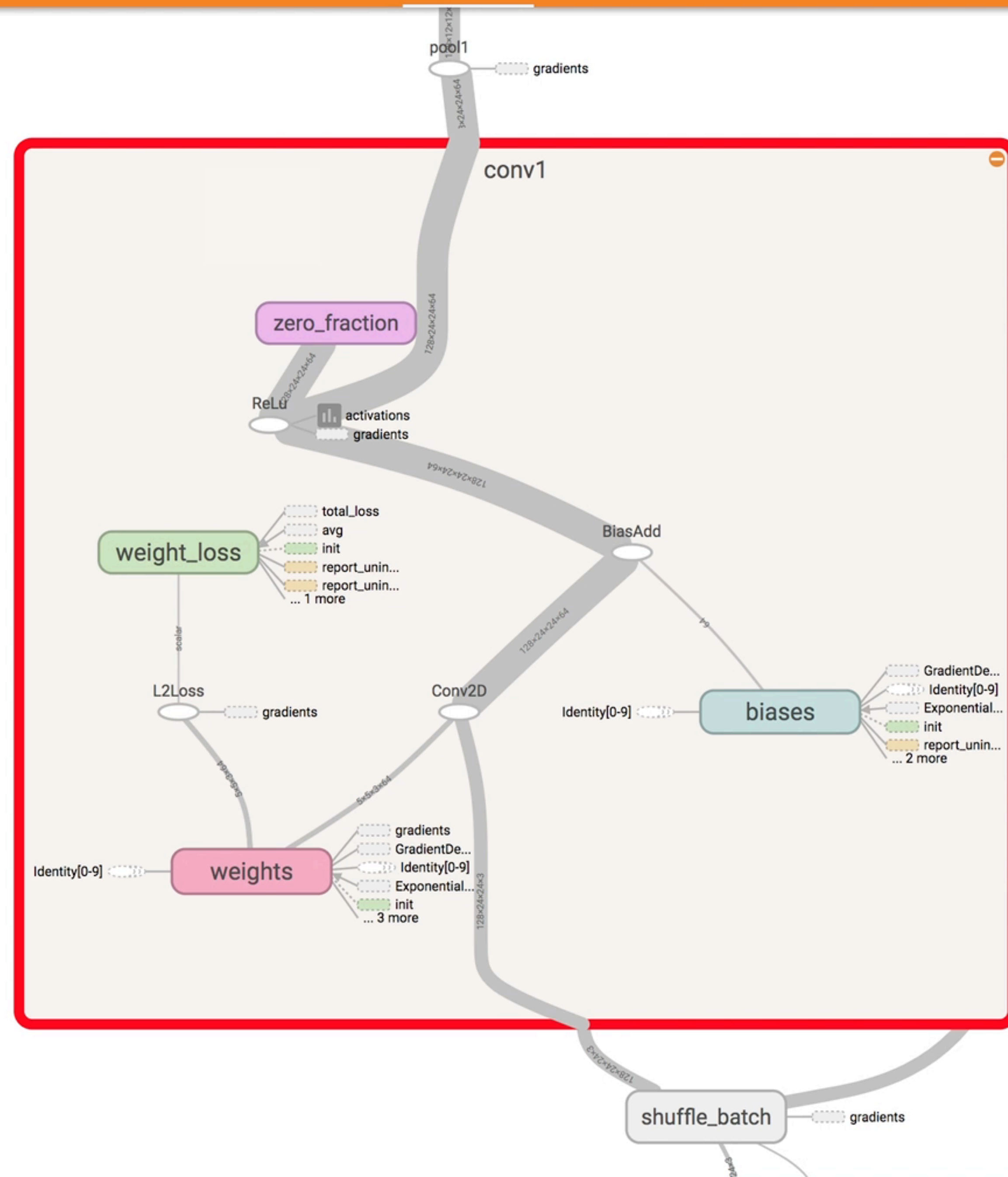


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conv1

Subgraph: 26 nodes

Attributes (0)

Inputs (2)

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2 tensors Identity[0-9]

Outputs (11)

 pool1

128x24x24x64

 total_loss/(total_loss)


scalar

 avg


3 tensors

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2 tensors

 Identity[0-9]

4 tensors

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6 tensors

 report_uninitialized_variables

5 tensors

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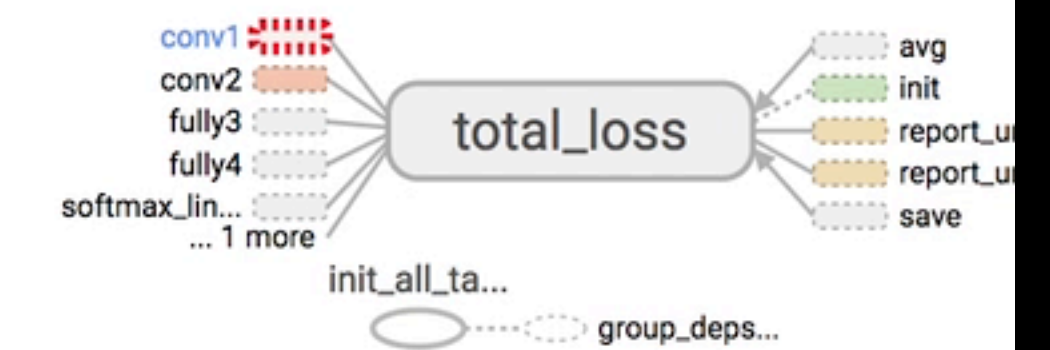
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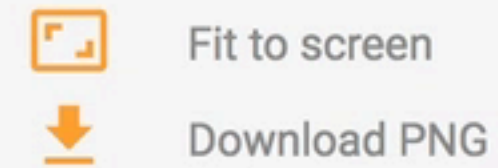
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10 tensors

✓ Control dependencies

Remove from main graph



Run run1
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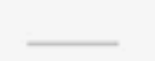

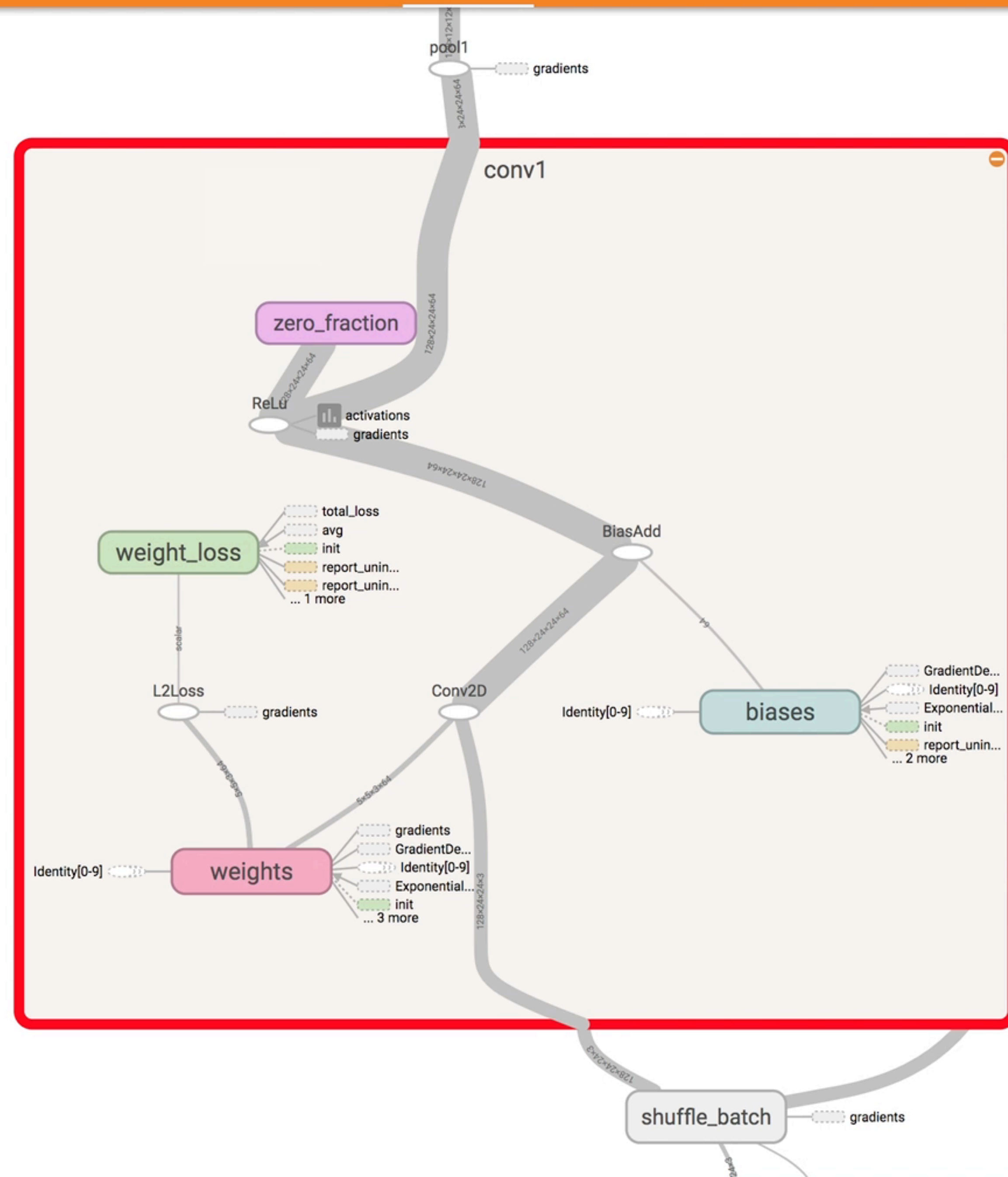
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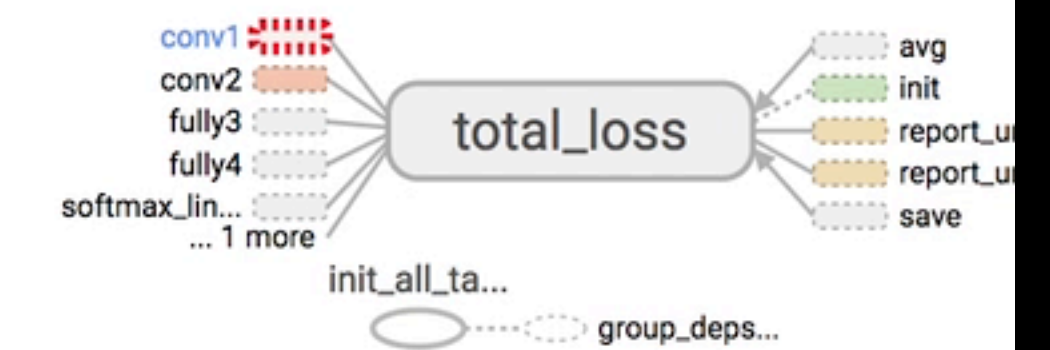
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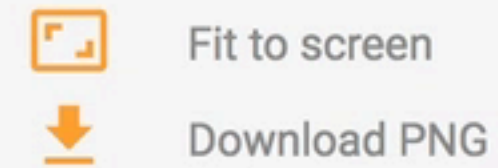
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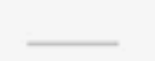

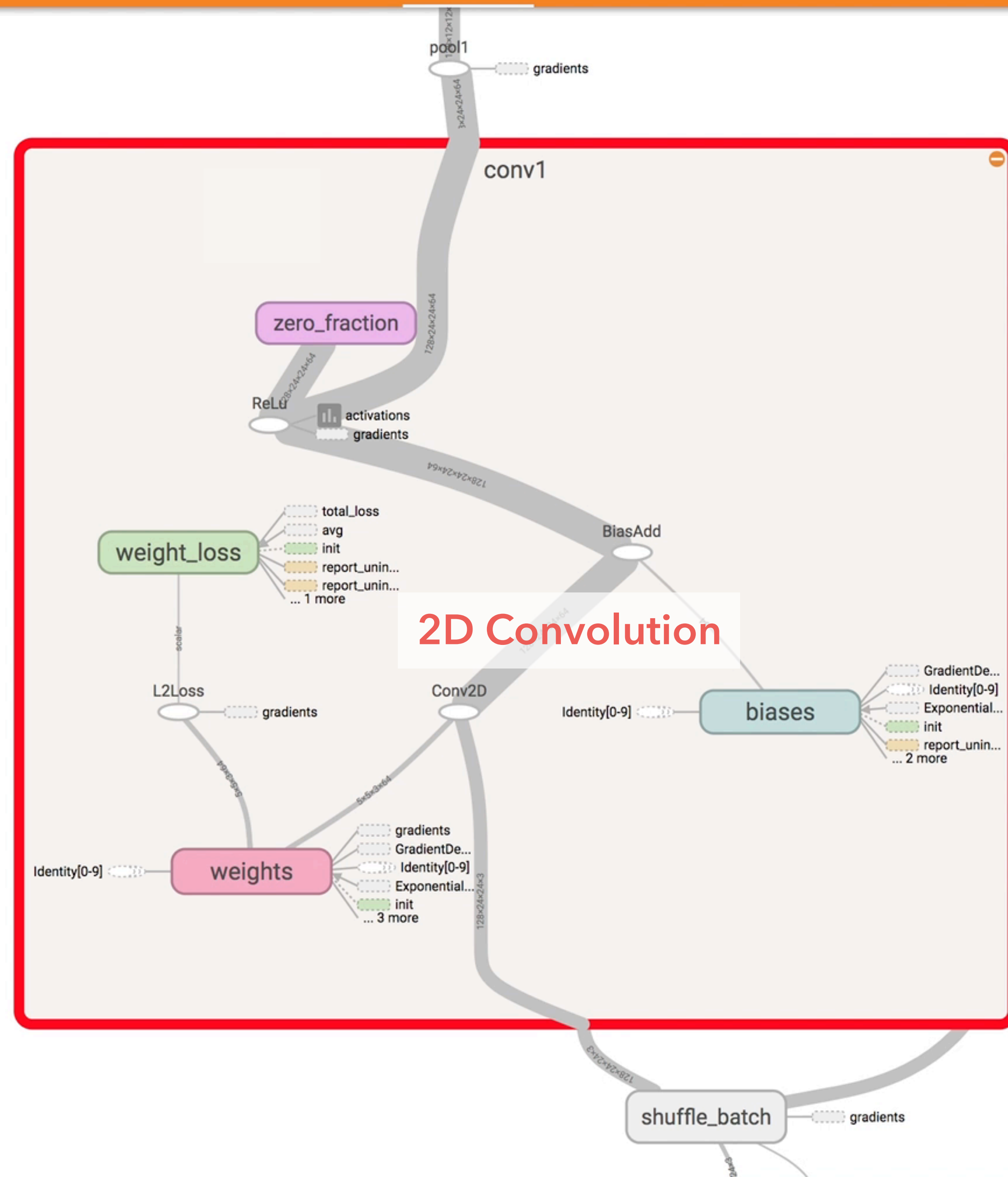
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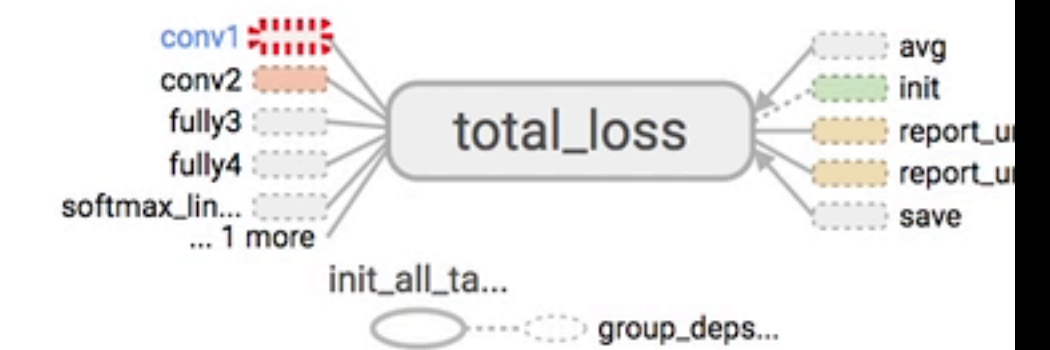
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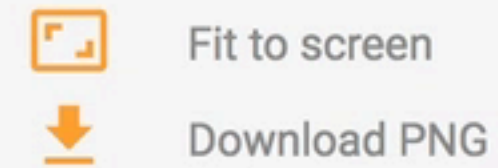
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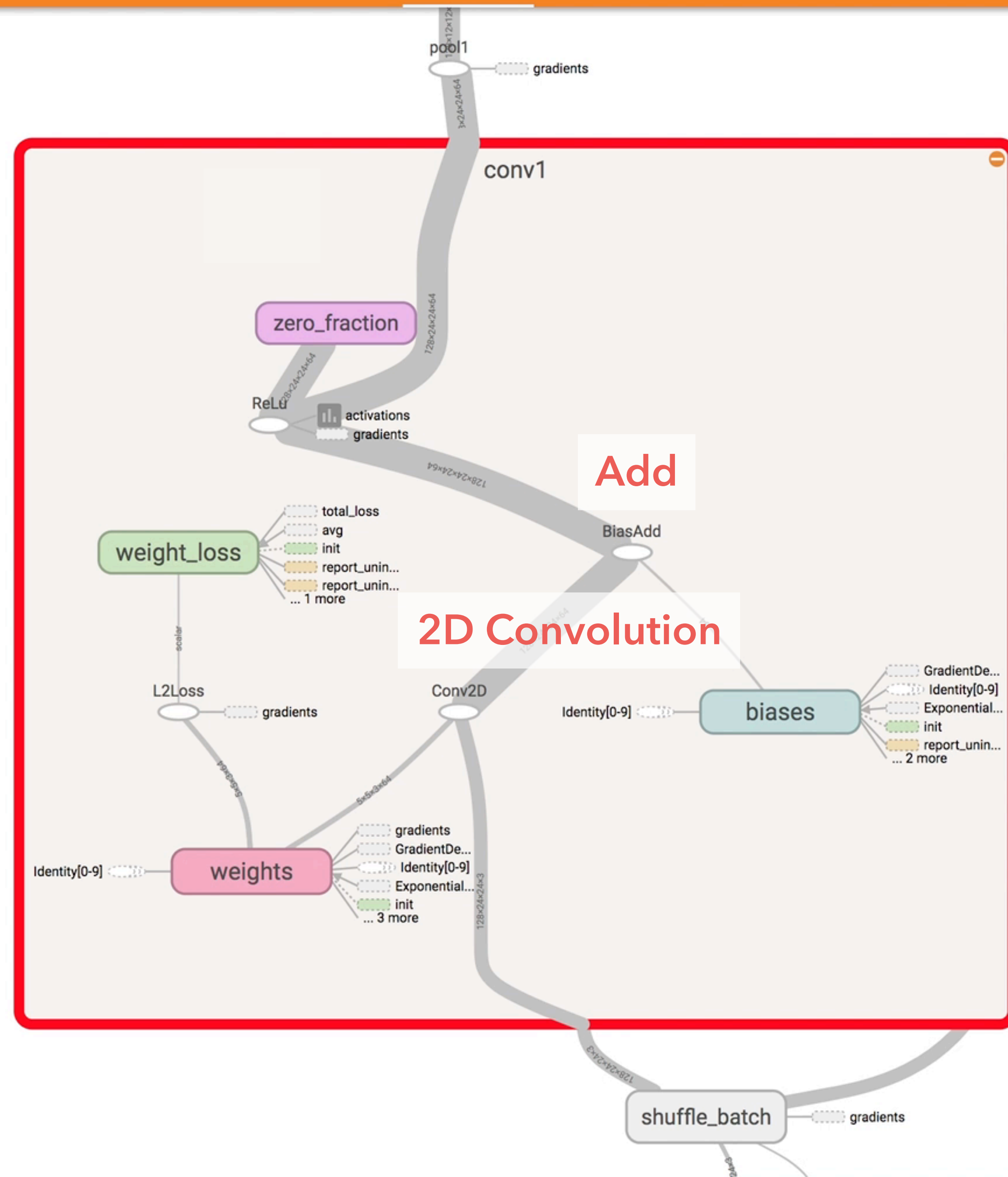
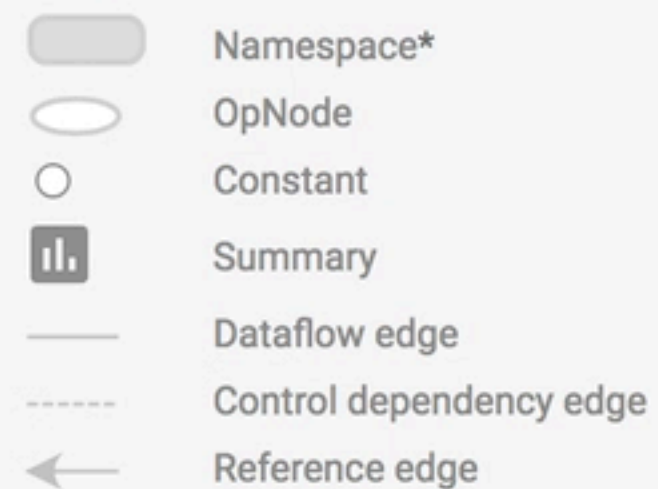
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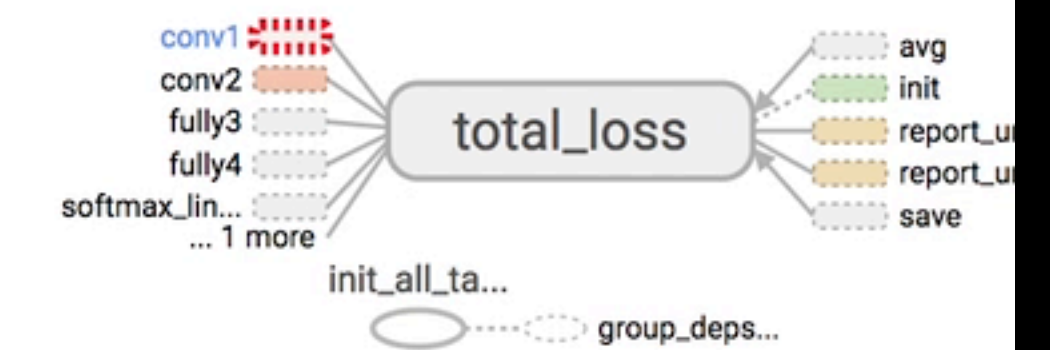
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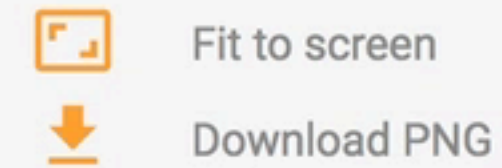
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Remove from main graph



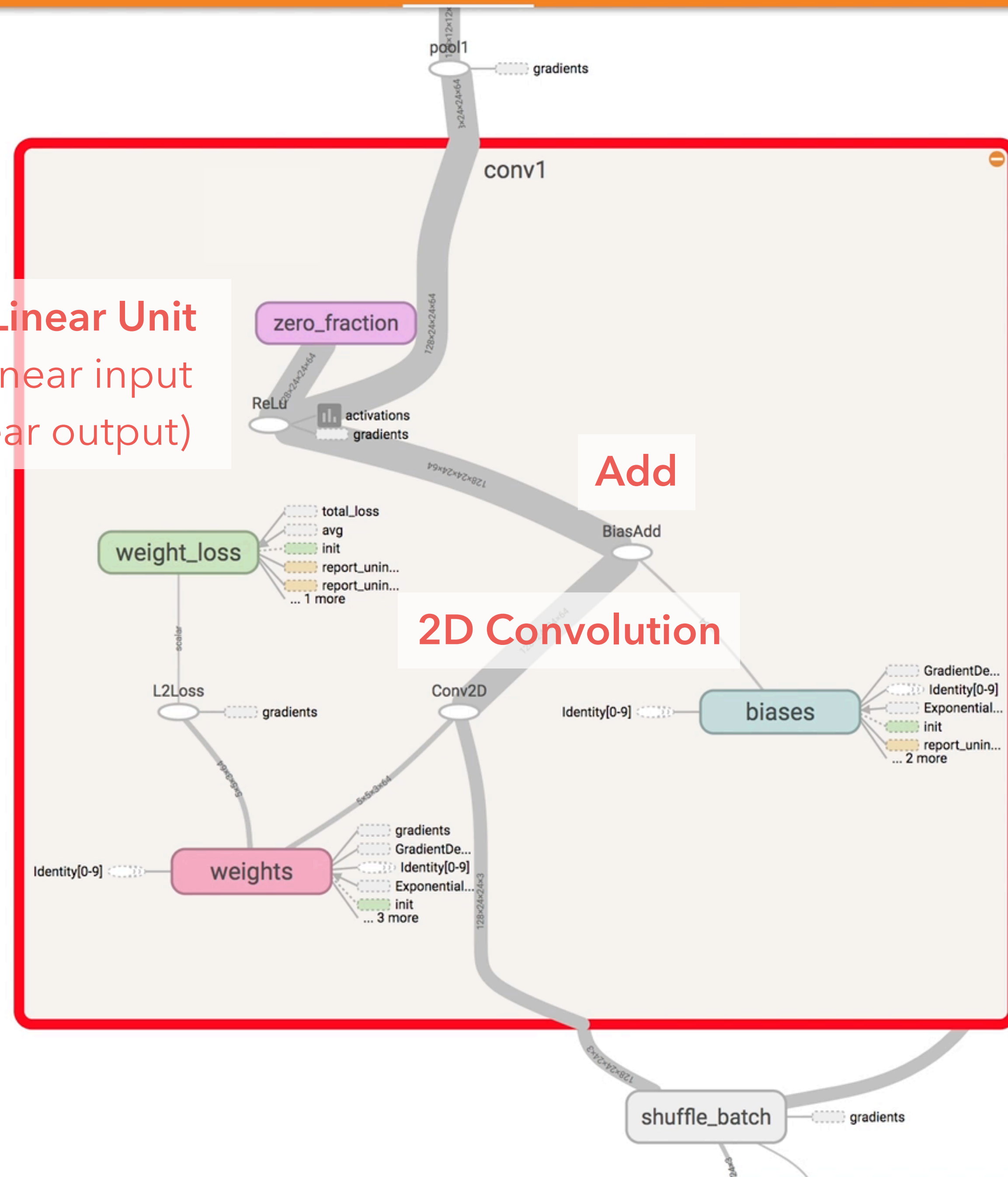
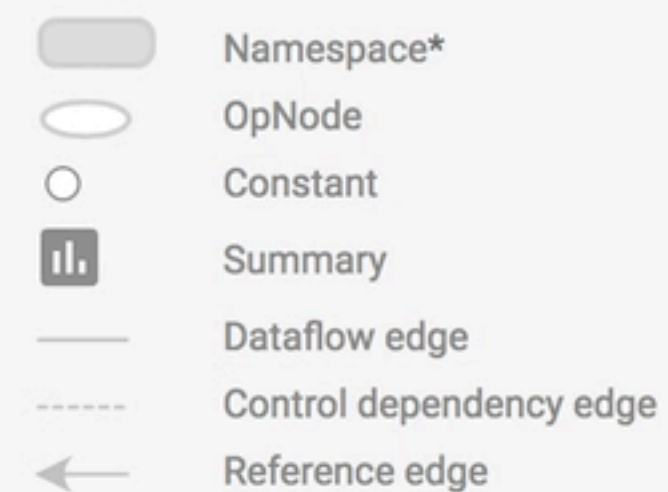
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Rectified Linear Unit
(convert linear input
to nonlinear output)

Graph (* = expandable)



conv1

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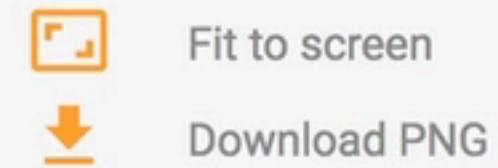
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- report_uninitialized_variables_1 5 tensors
- save 10 tensors

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Graph (* = expandable)

Namespace*

OpNode

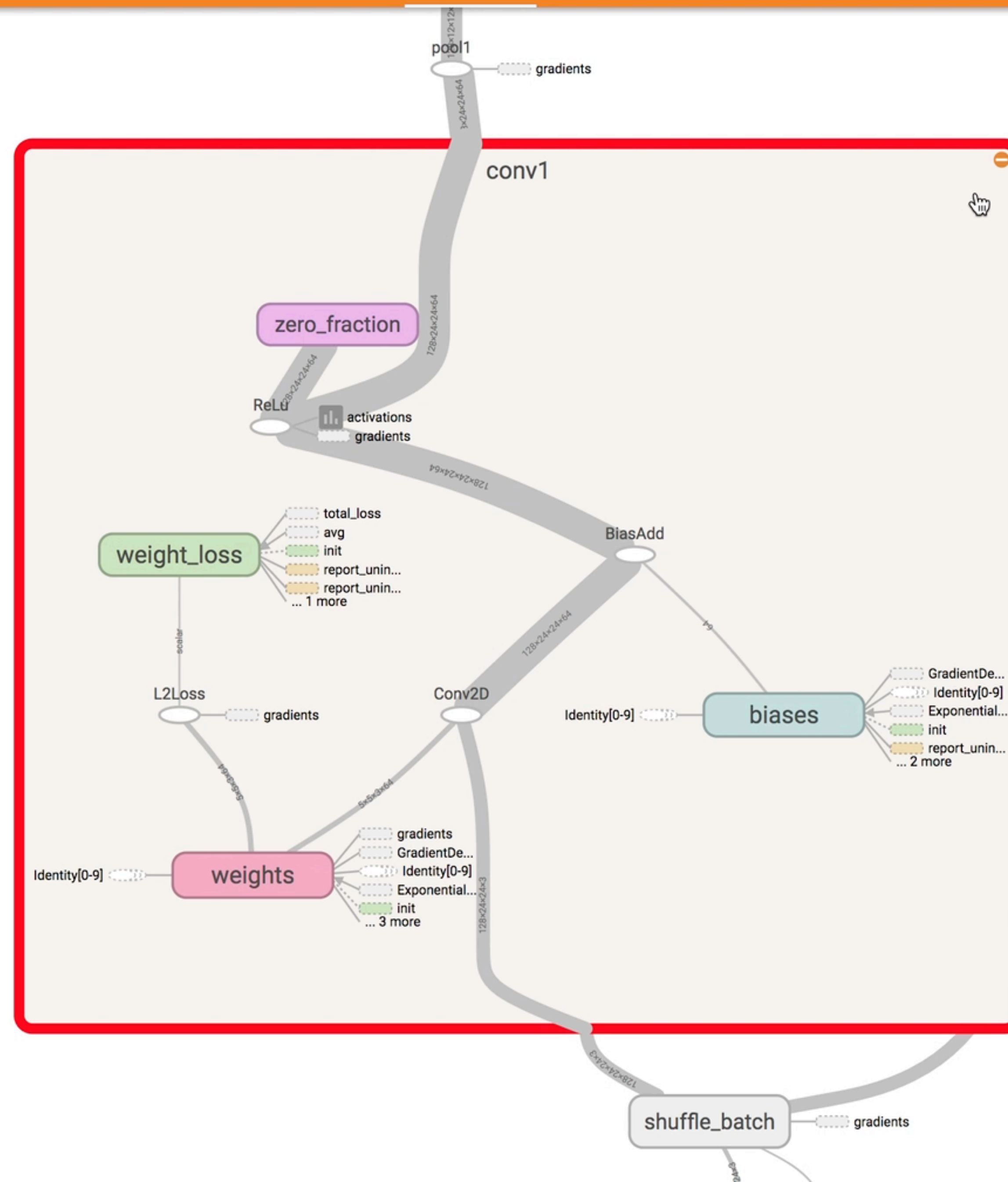
Constant

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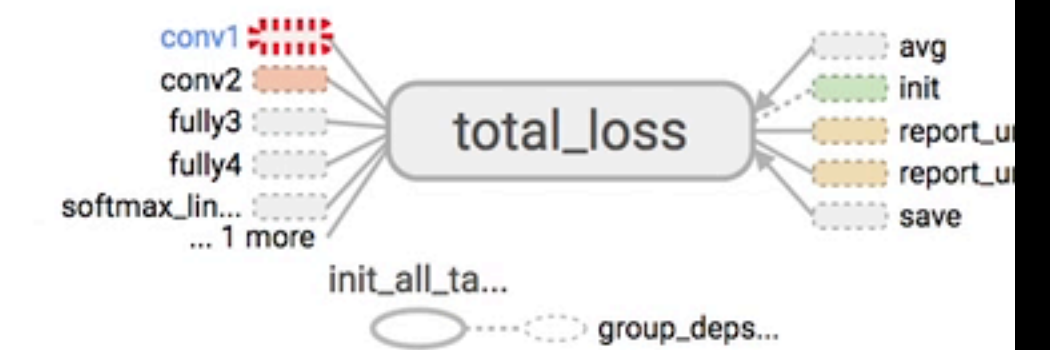
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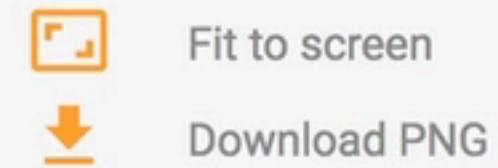
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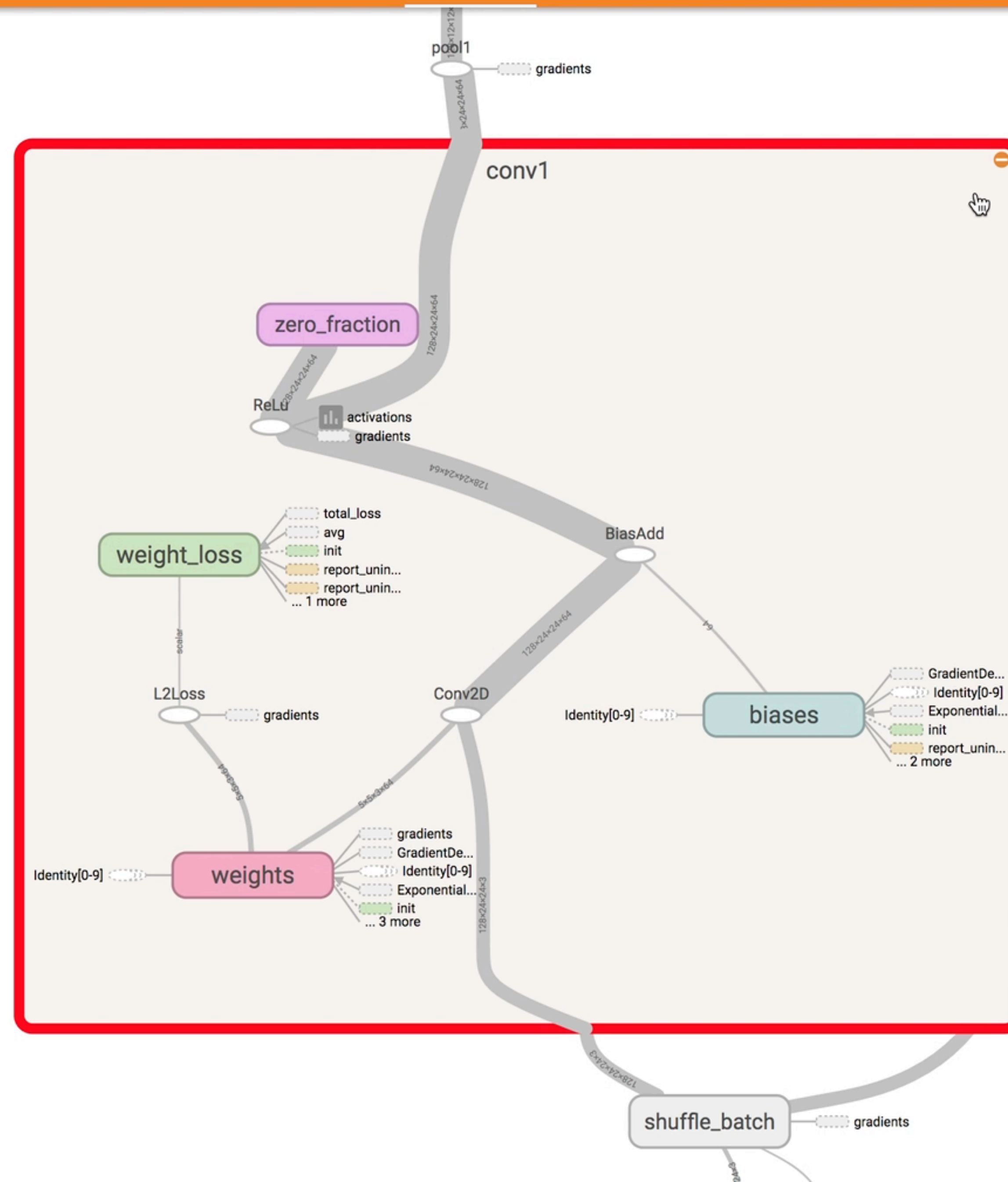


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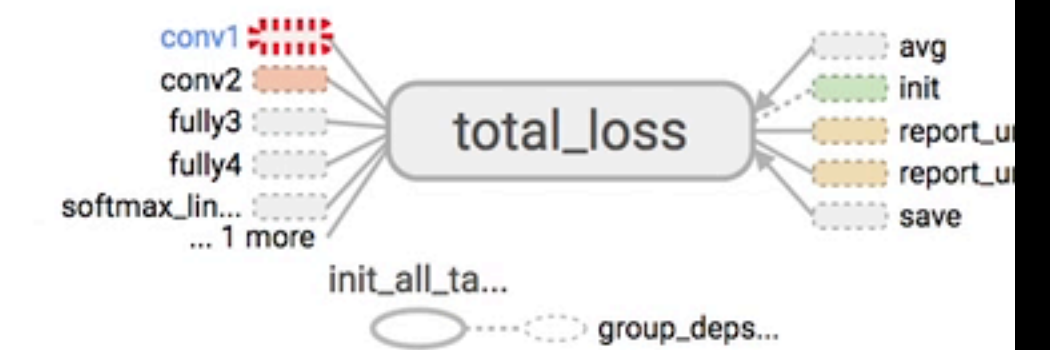
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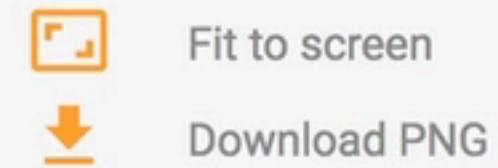
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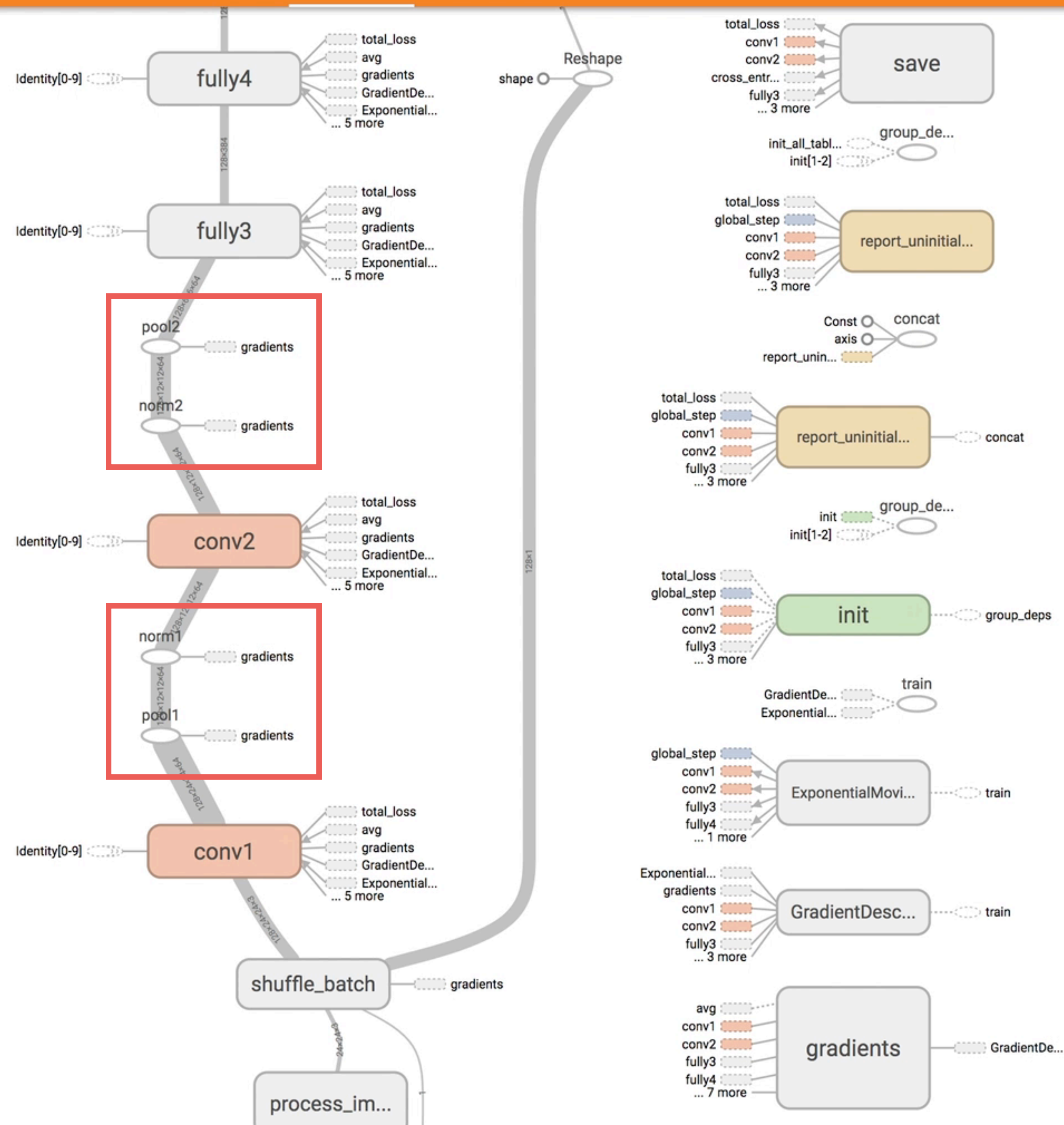
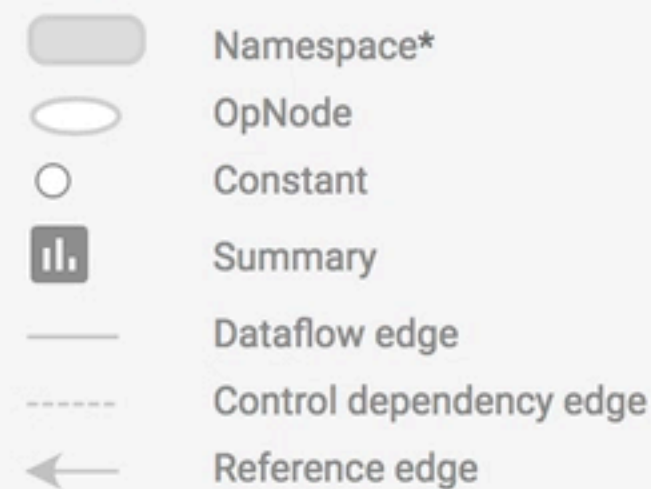
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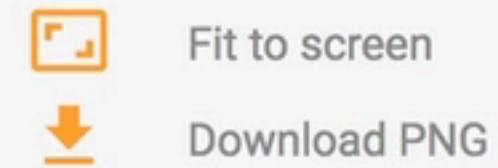
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(reduce overfitting)

Max-pooling
(Downsample layer size)

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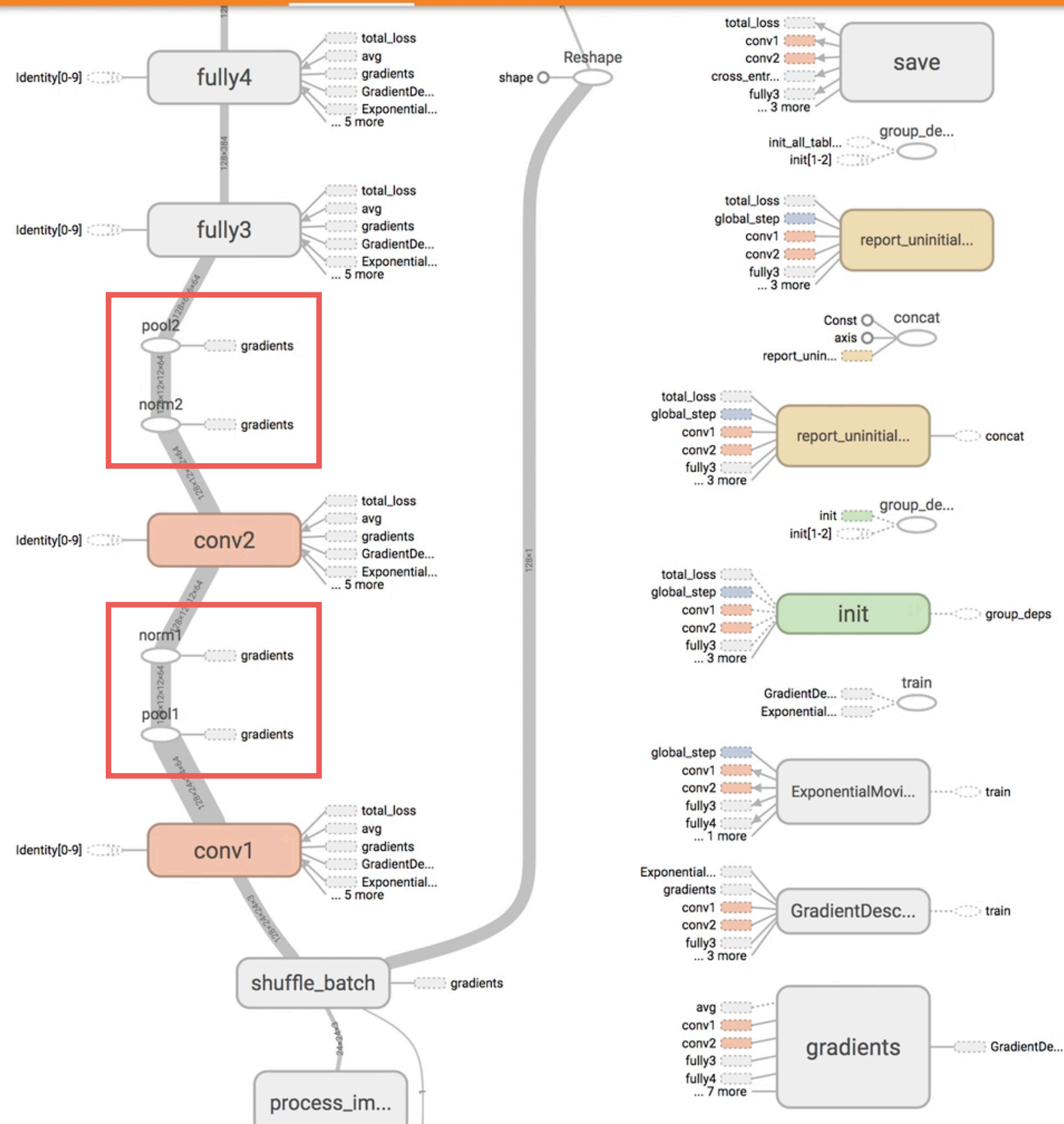
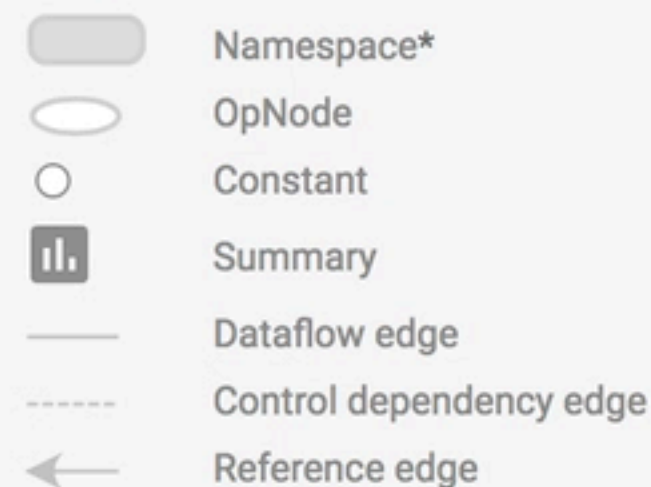
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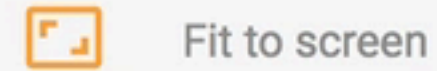
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Fully Connected Layers
(High-level reasoning)

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OpNode

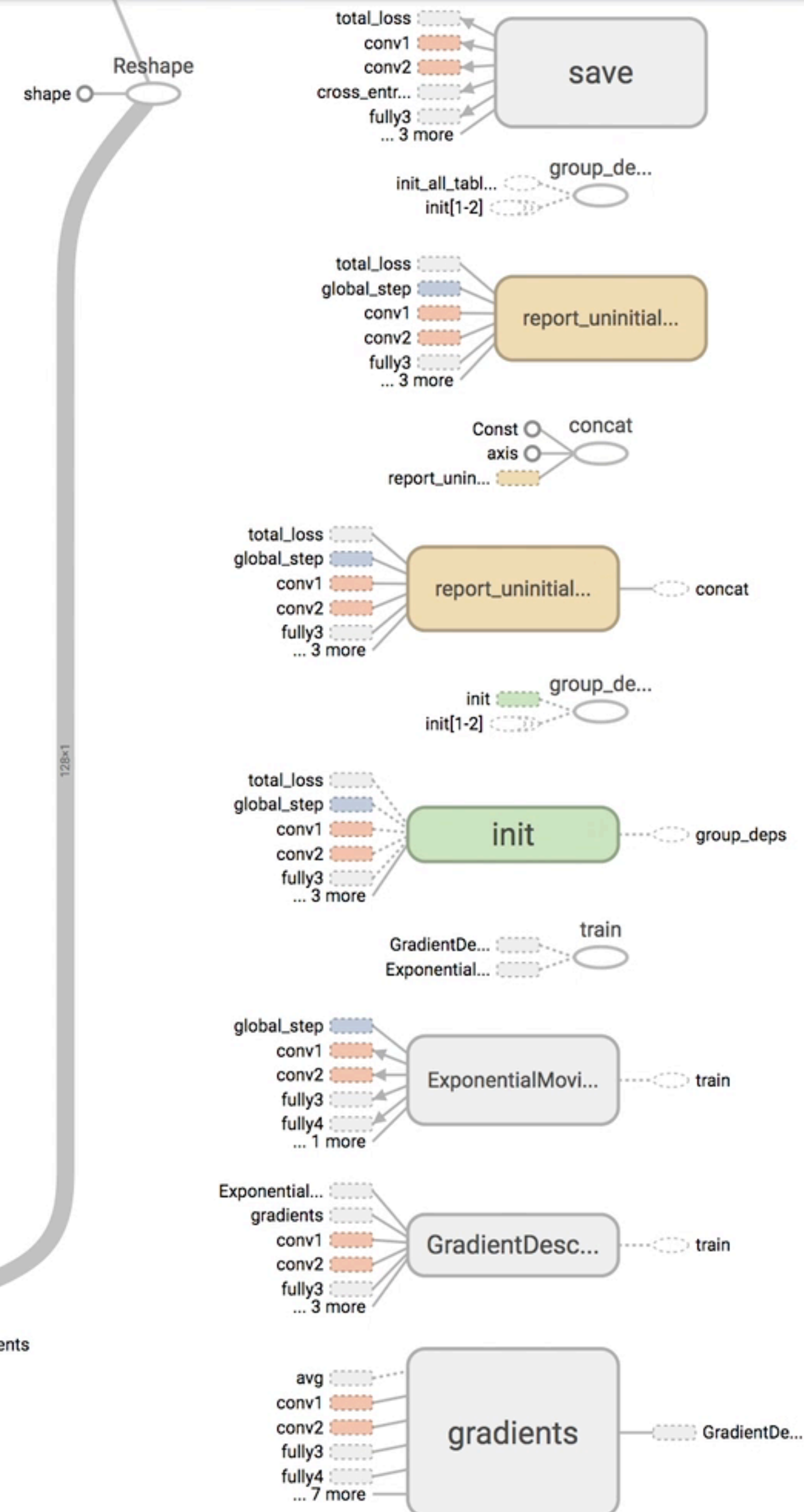
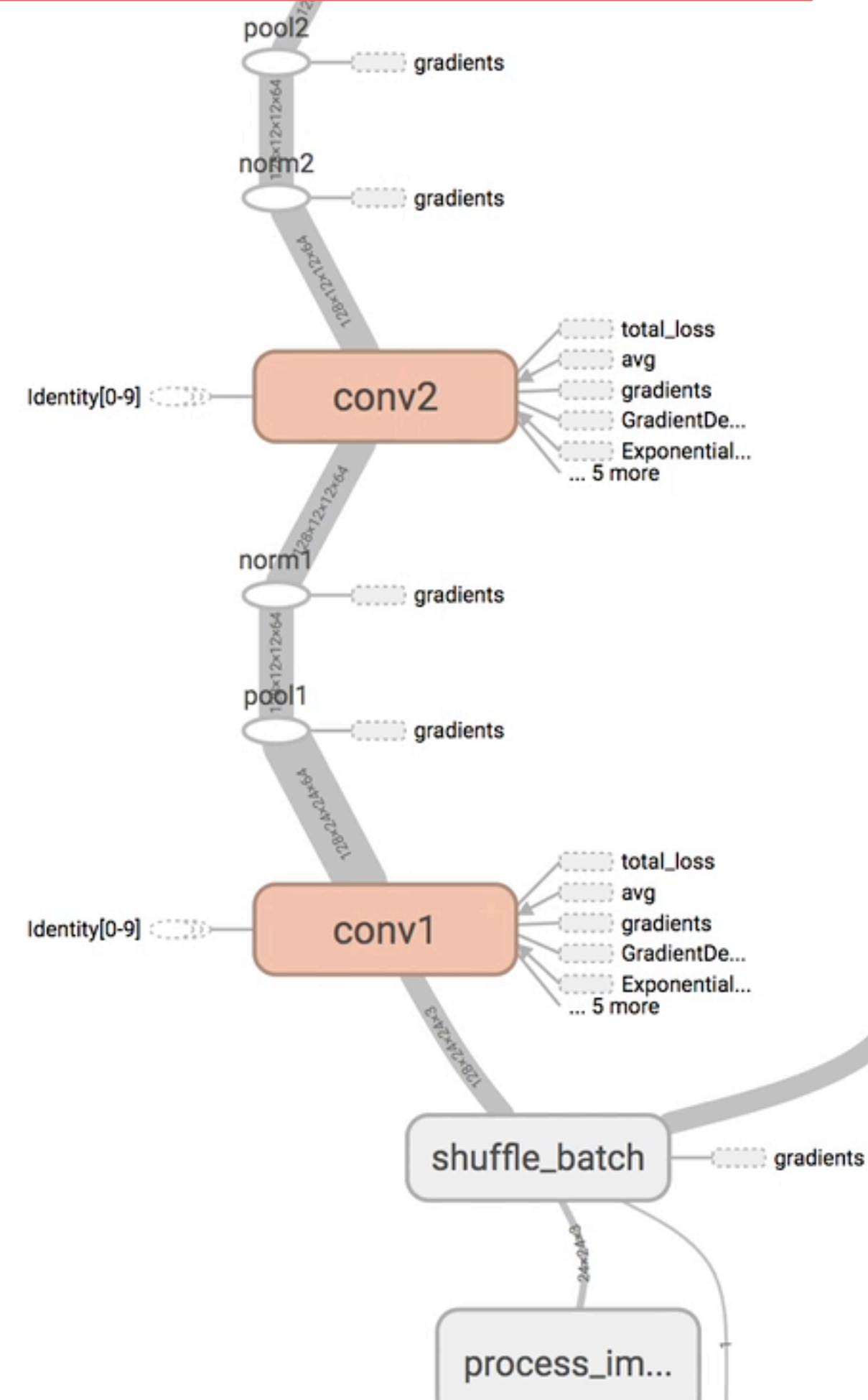
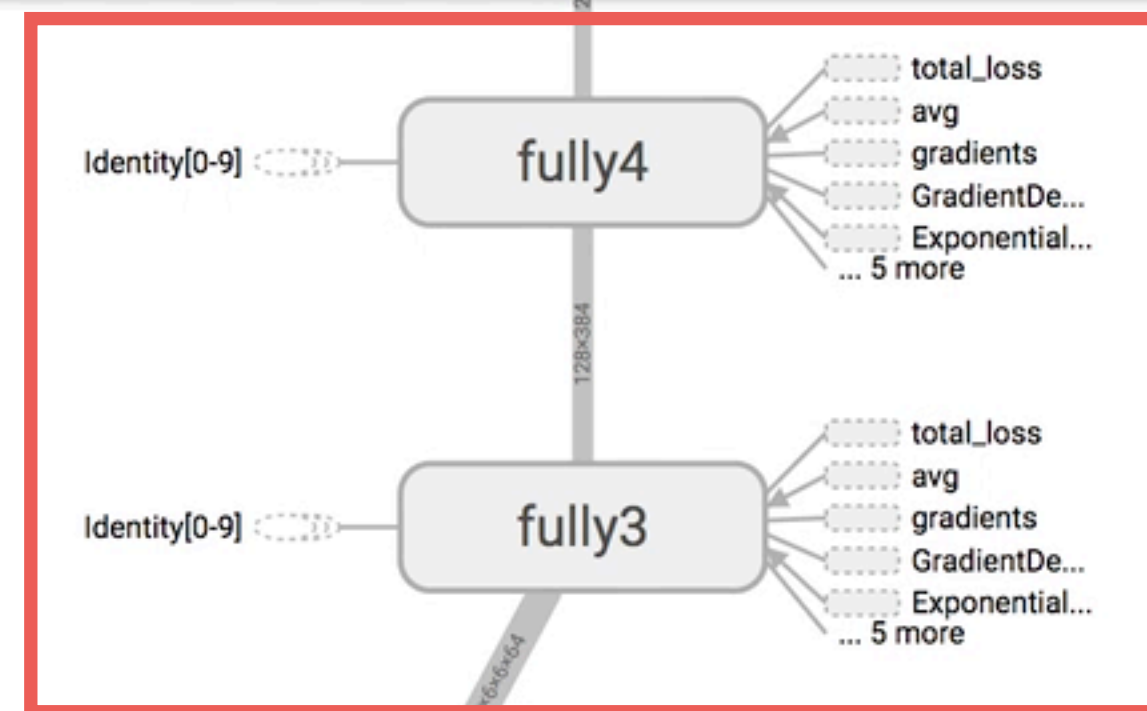
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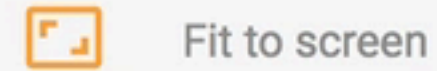
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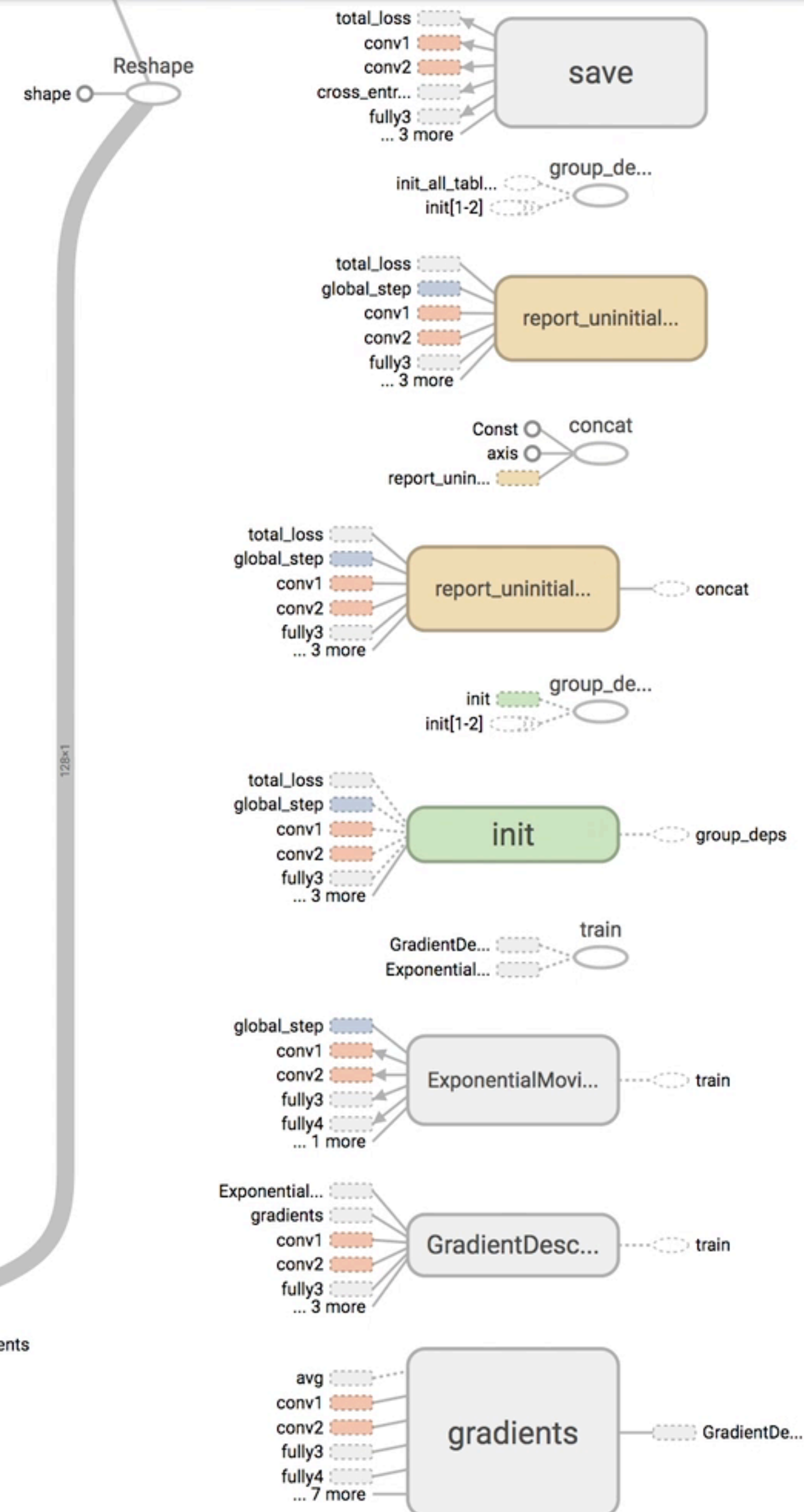
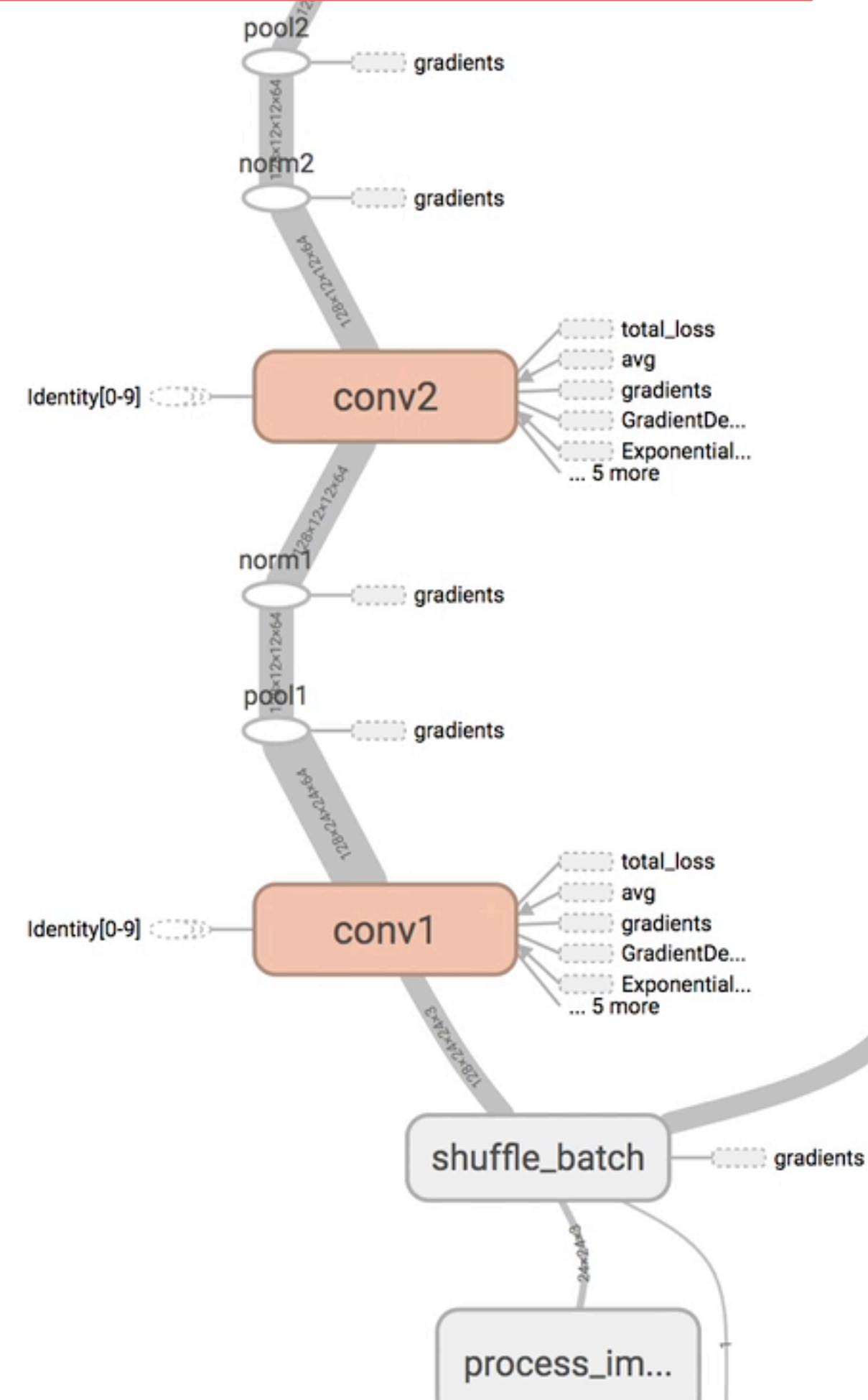
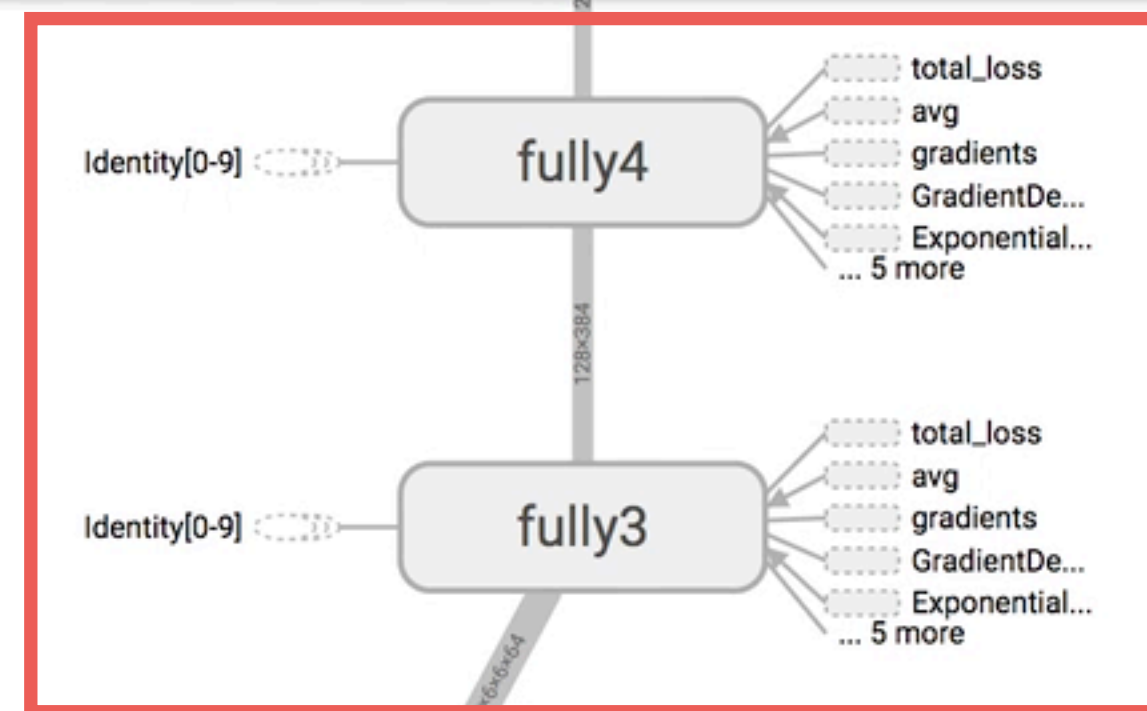
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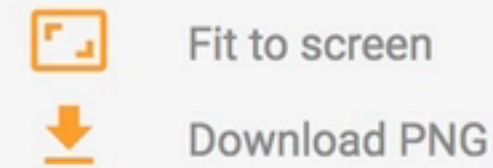
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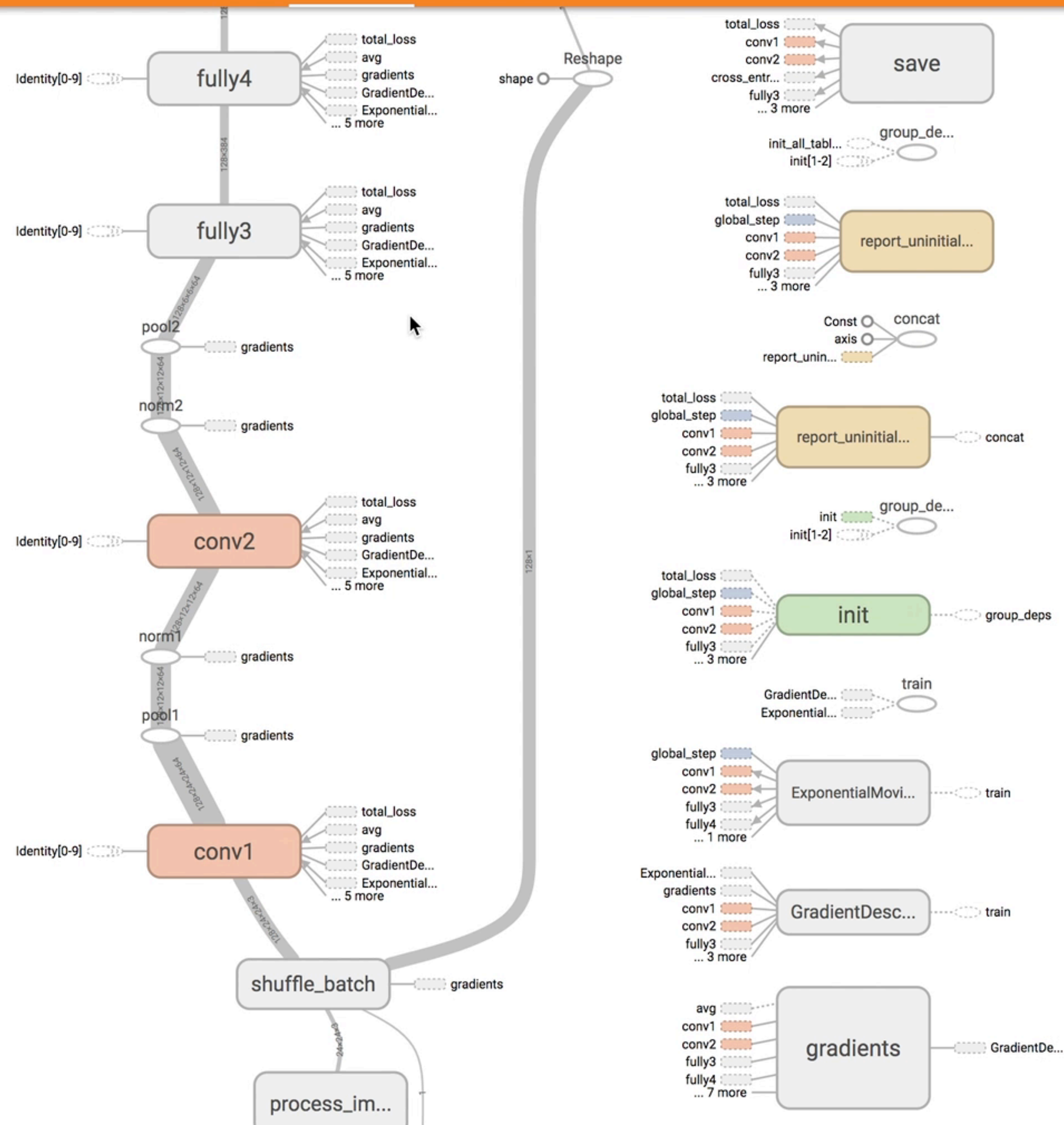
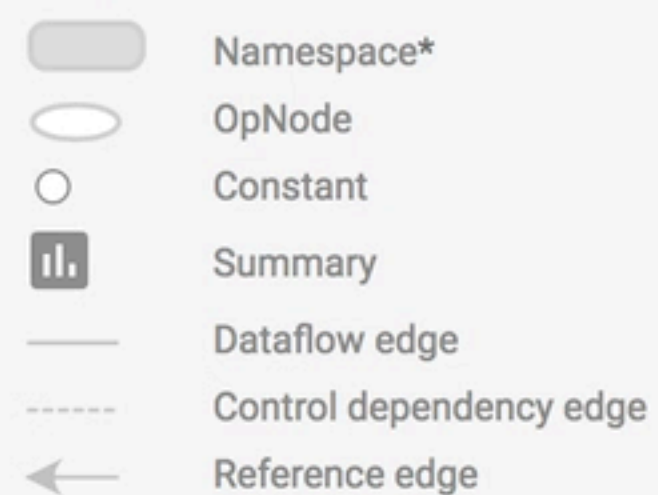
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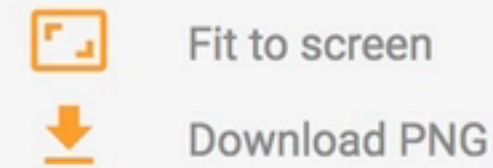
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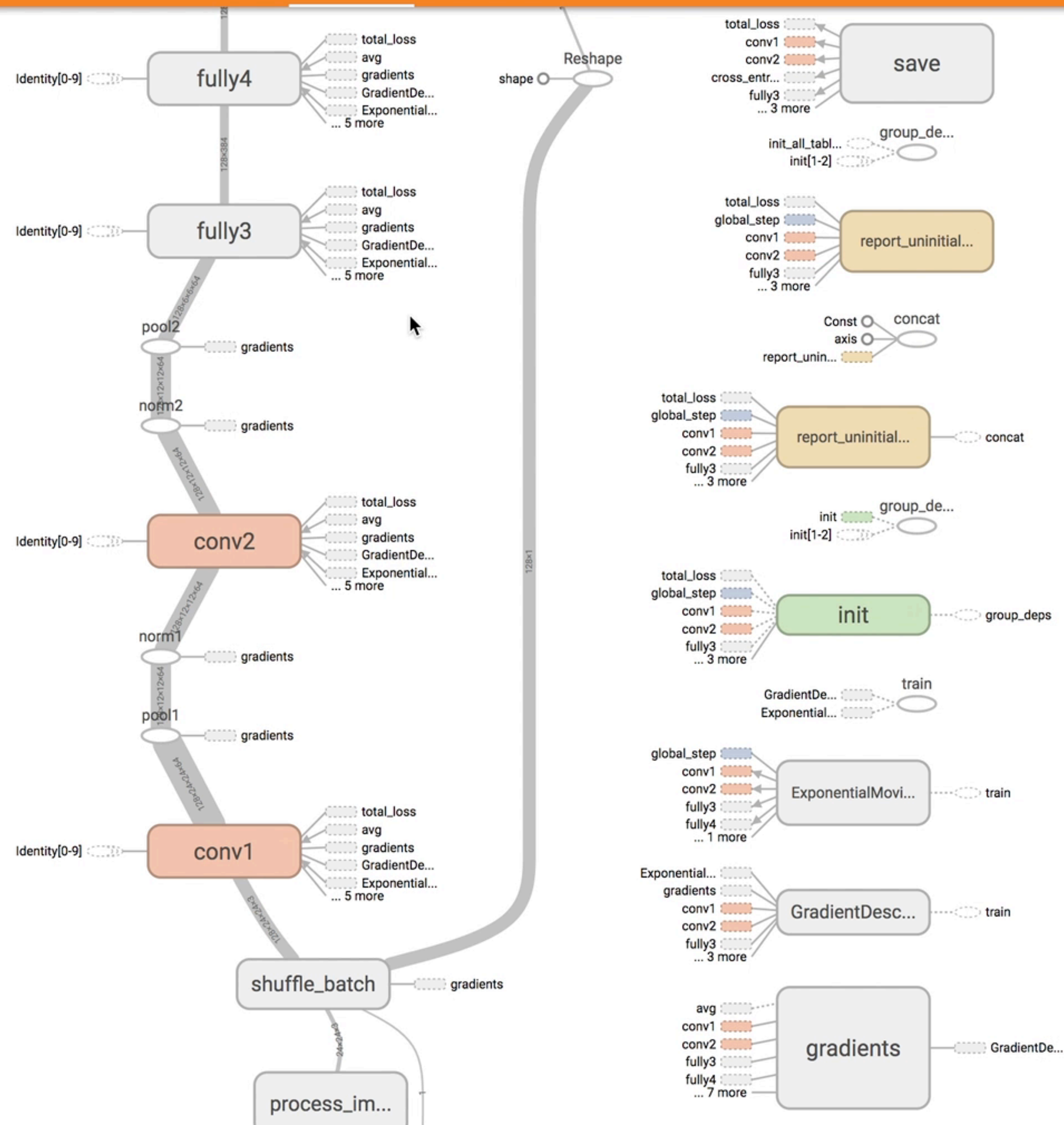
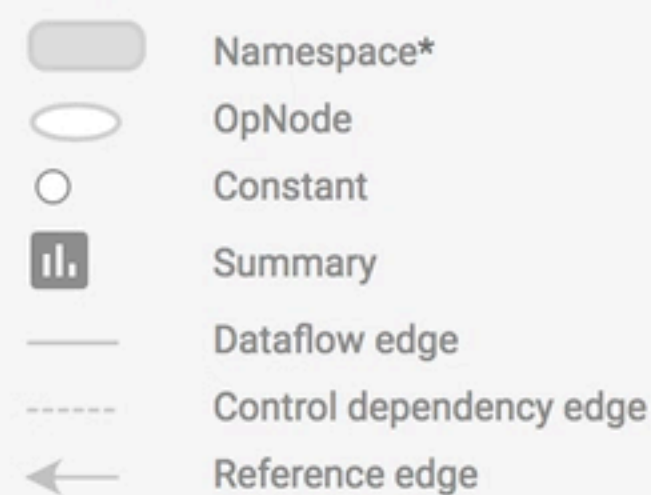
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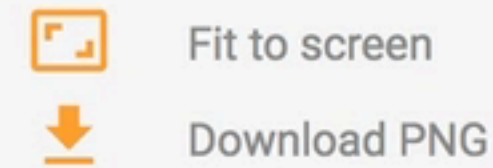
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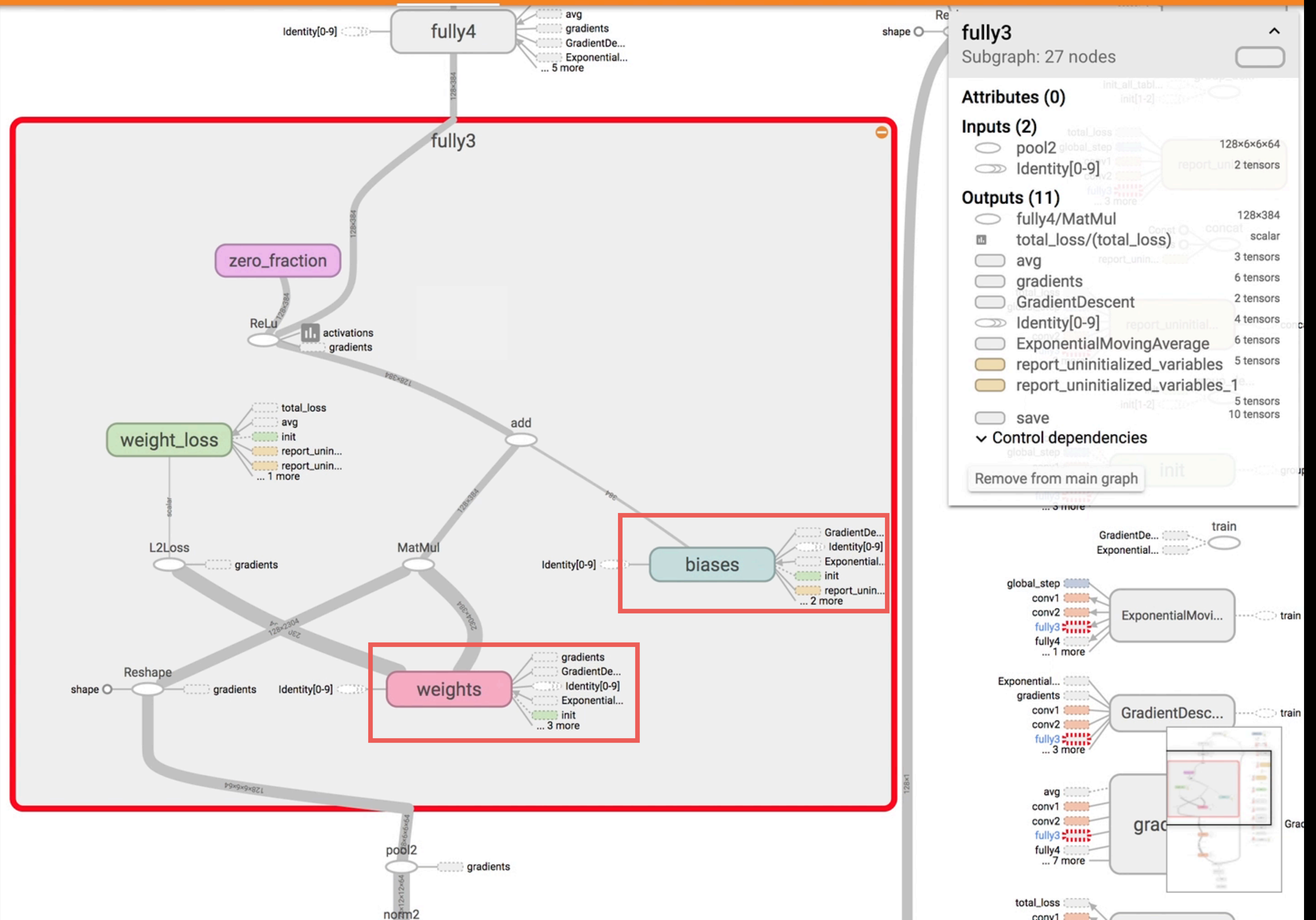
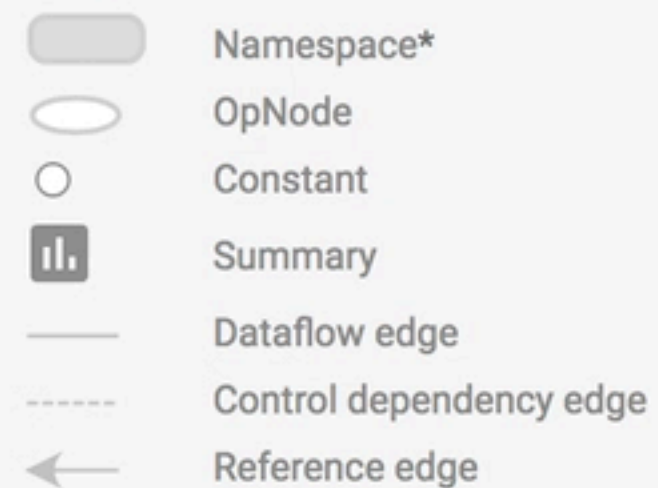
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





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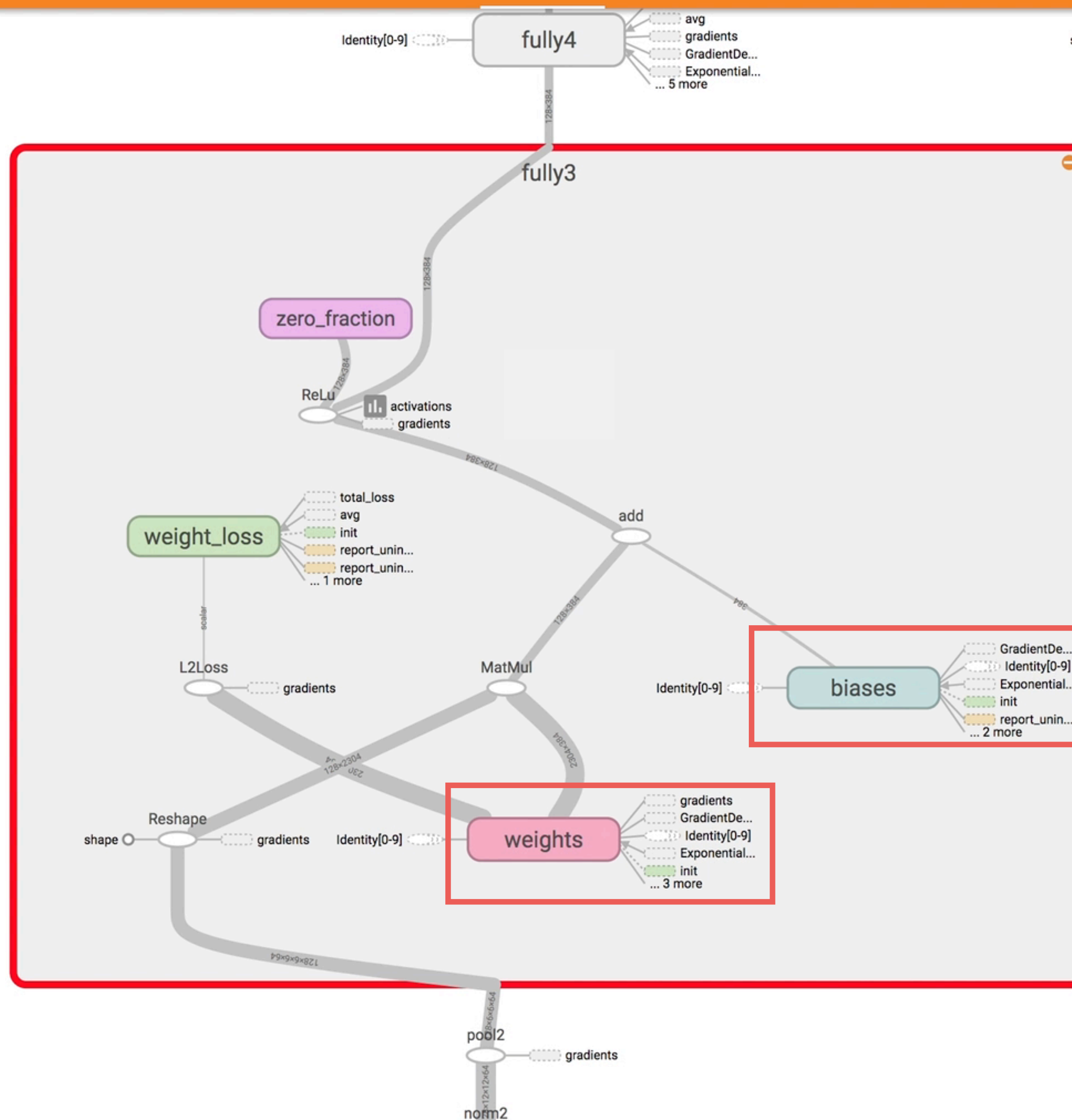
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fully3

Subgraph: 27 nodes

Attributes (0)

Inputs (2)

pool2

Identity[0-9]

Outputs (11)

fully4/MatMul

total_loss/(total_loss)

avg

gradients

GradientDescent

Identity[0-9]

ExponentialMovingAverage

report_uninitialized_variables

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Control dependencies

128x6x6x64

2 tensors

128x384

scalar

3 tensors

6 tensors

2 tensors

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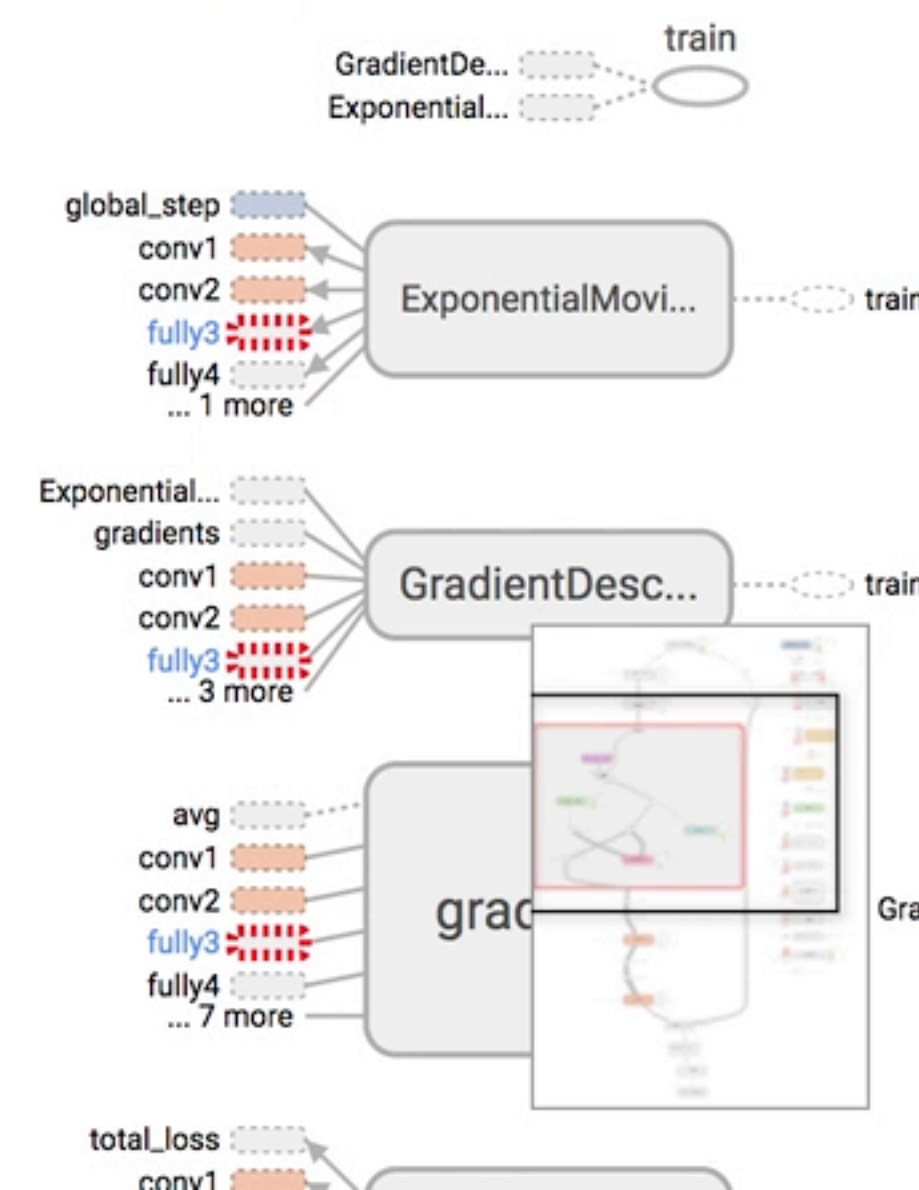
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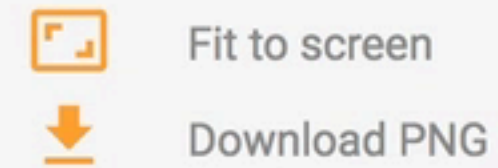
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10 tensors

Remove from main graph



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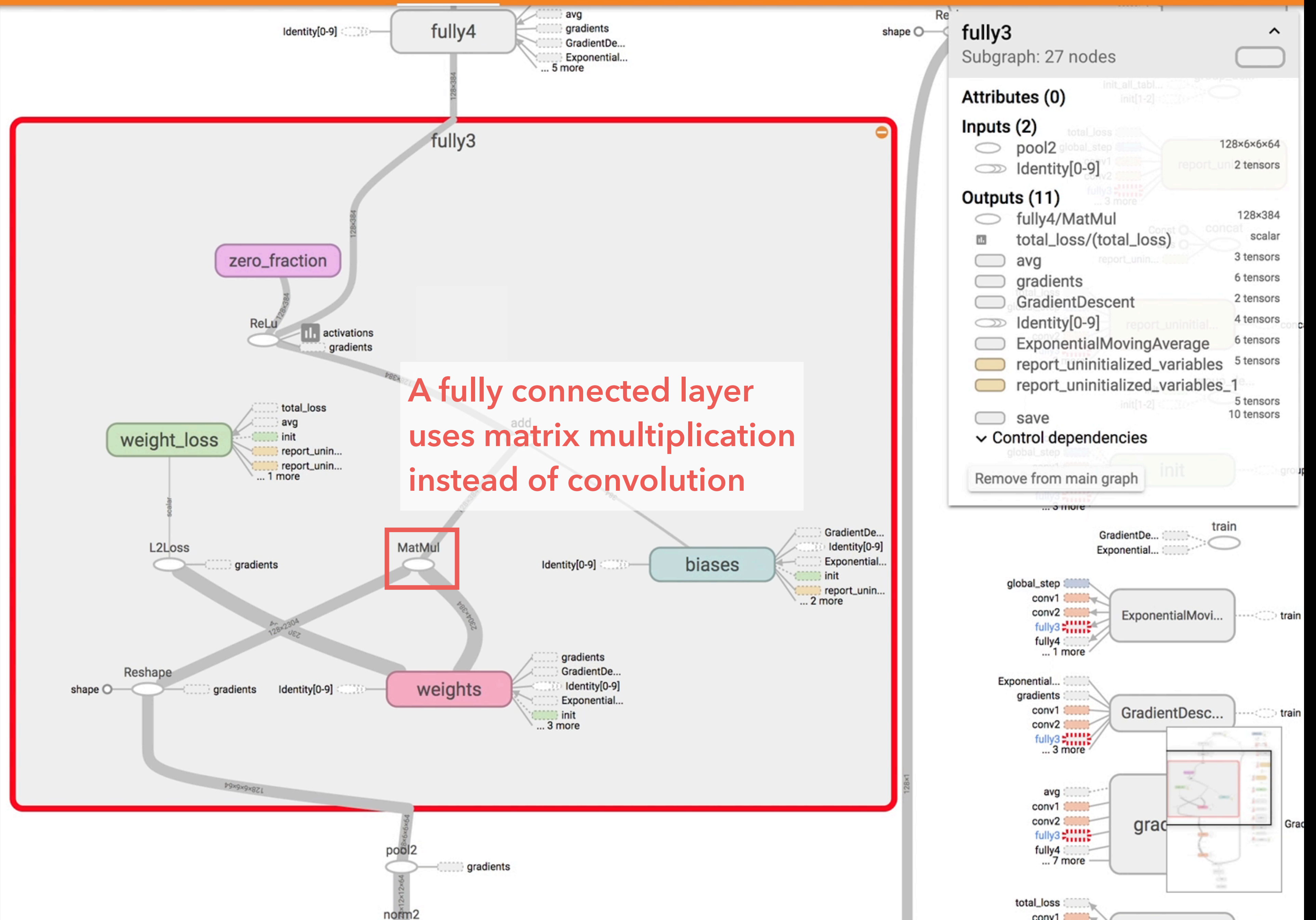
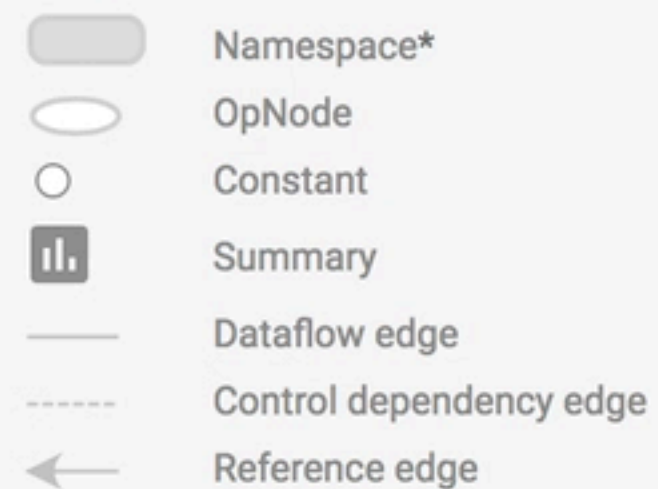
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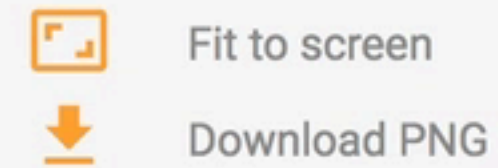
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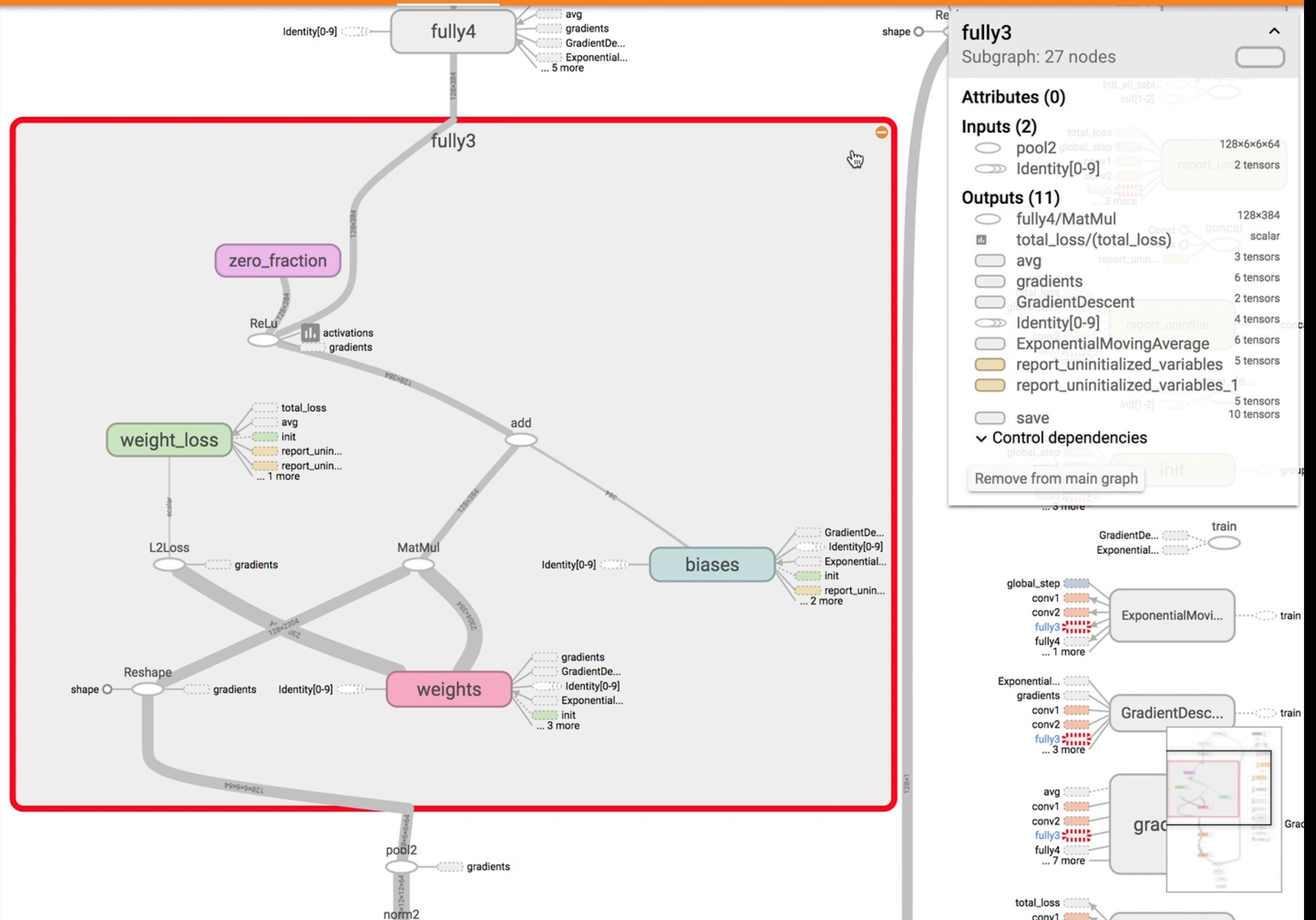
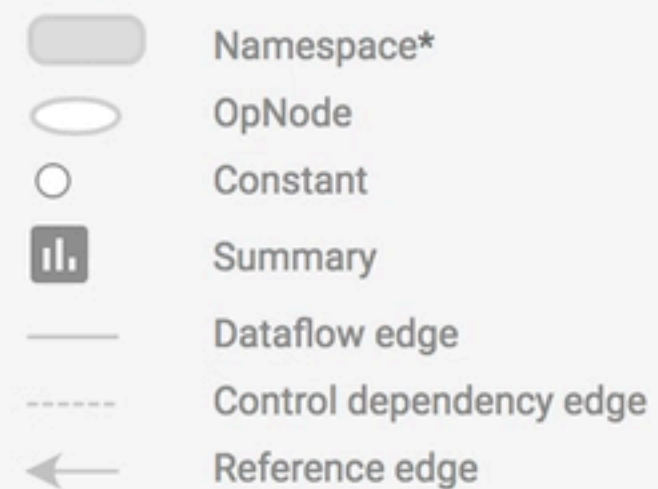
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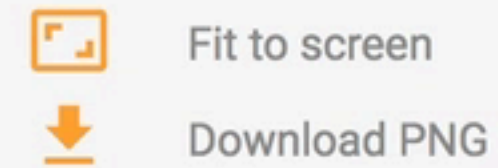
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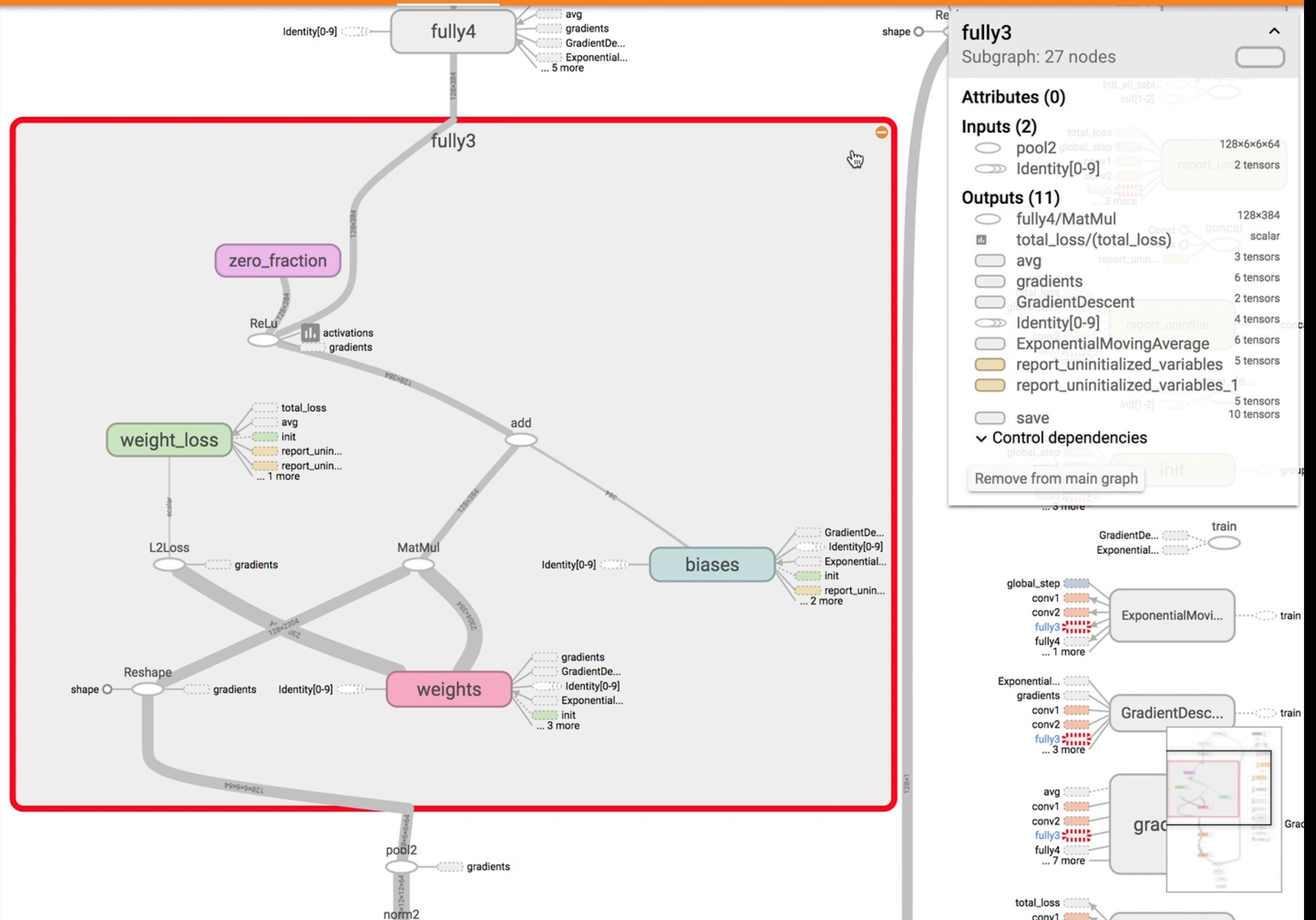
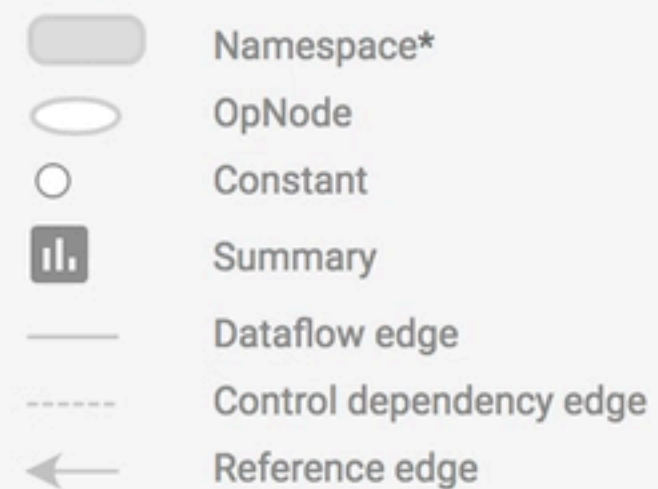
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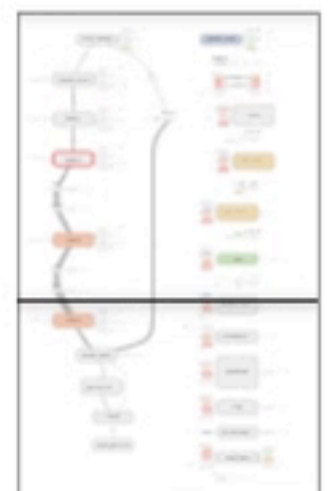
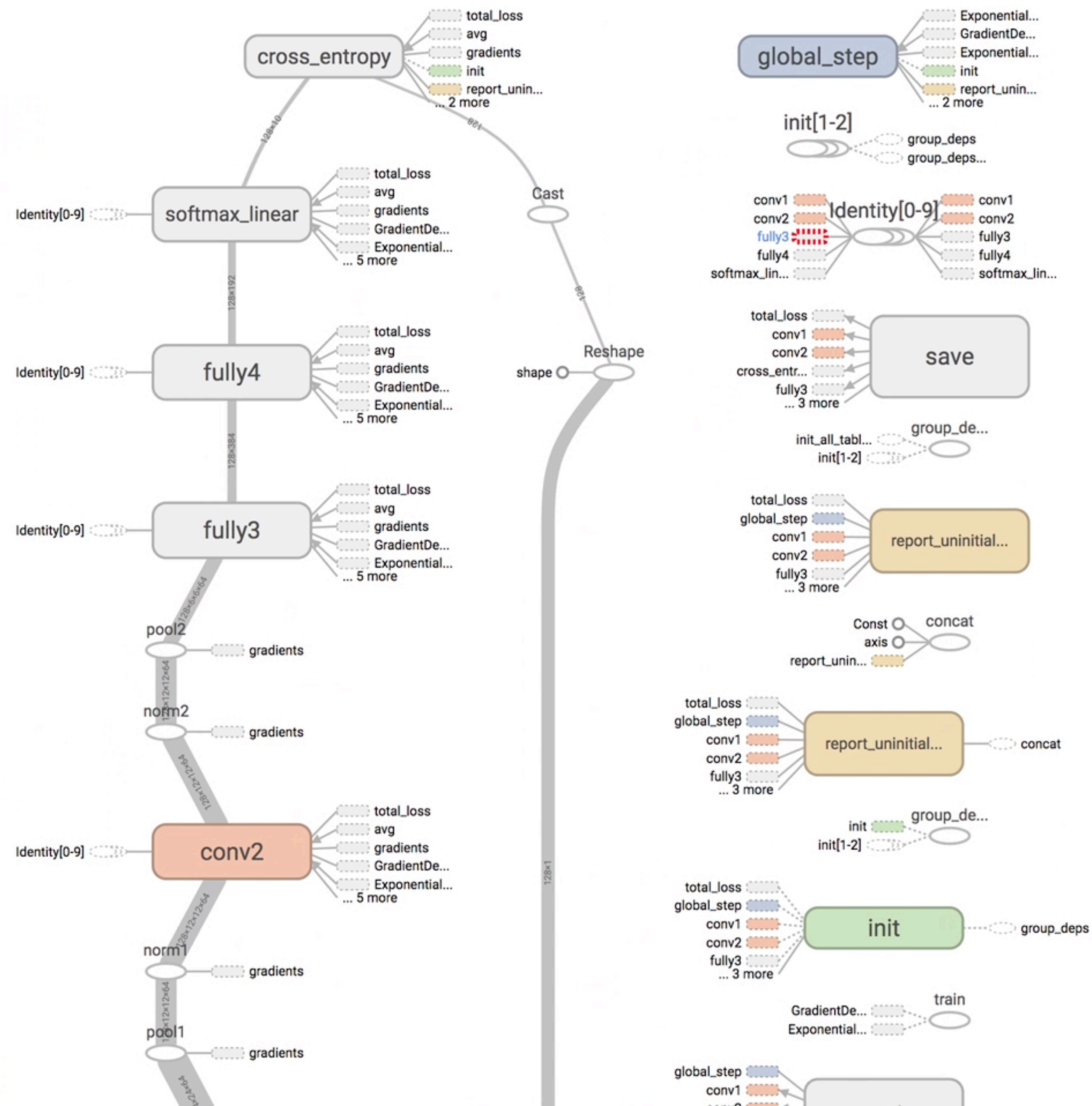
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





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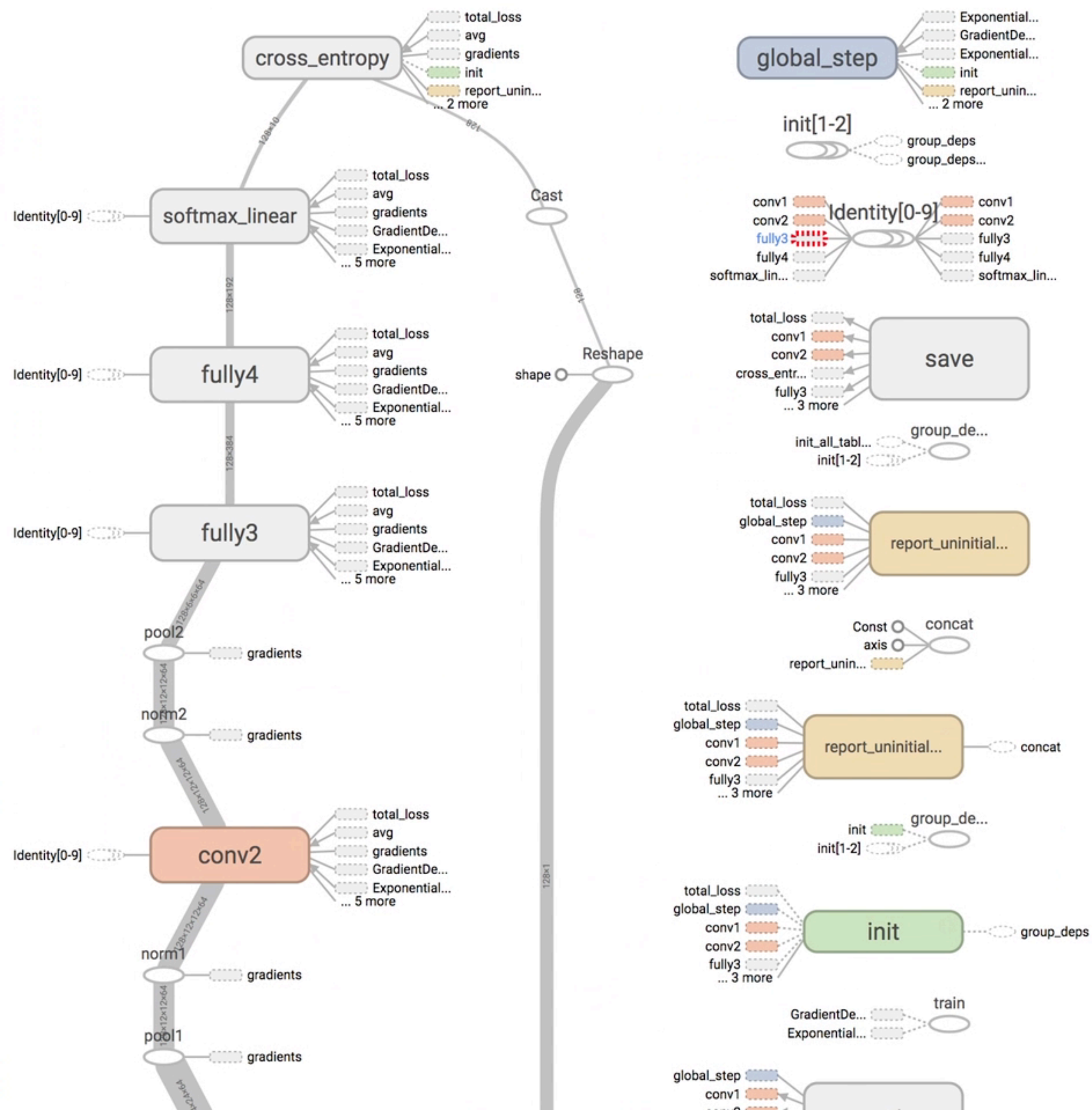
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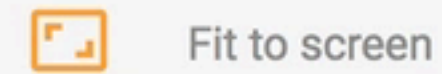
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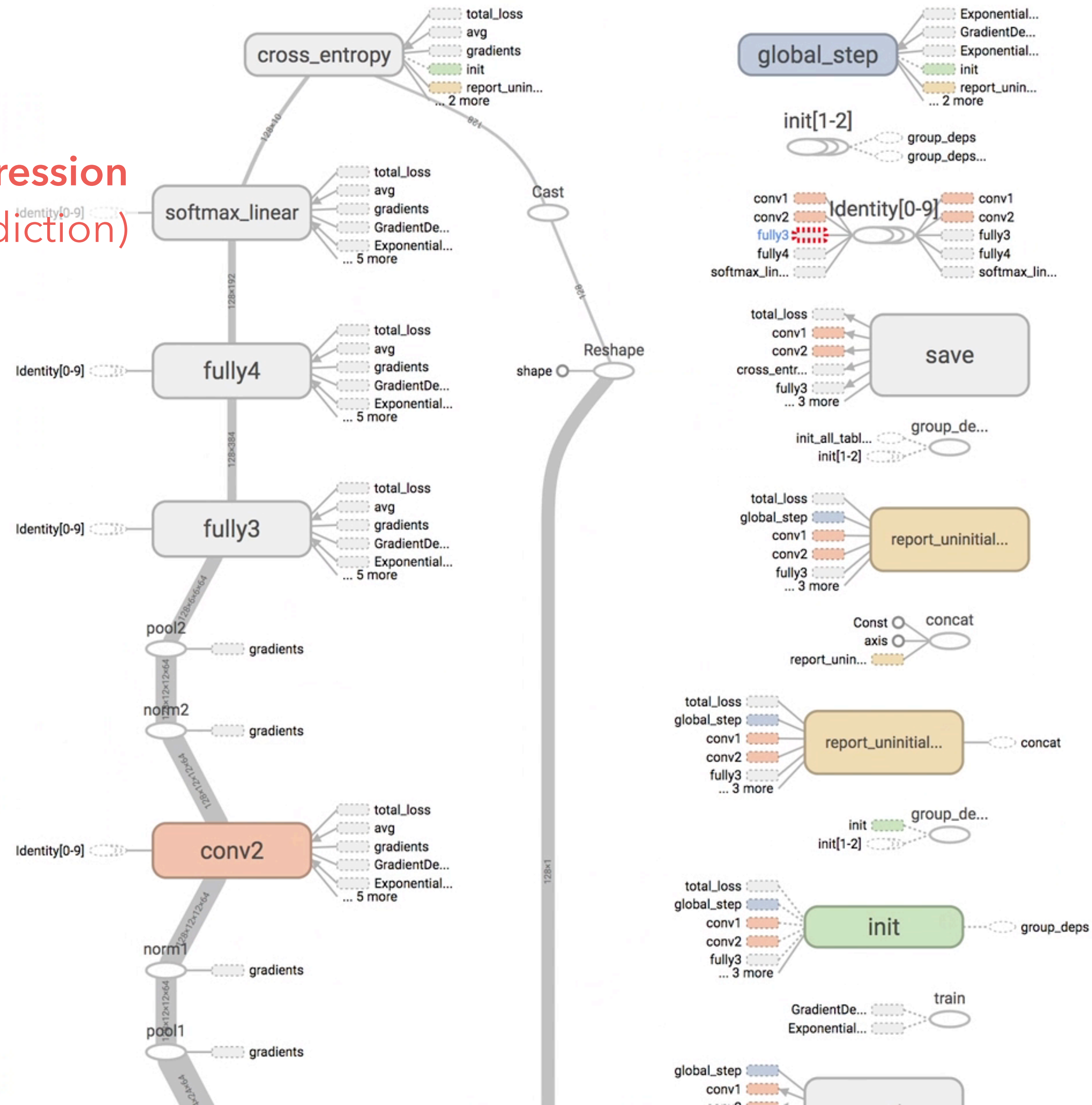
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Softmax Regression (make prediction)



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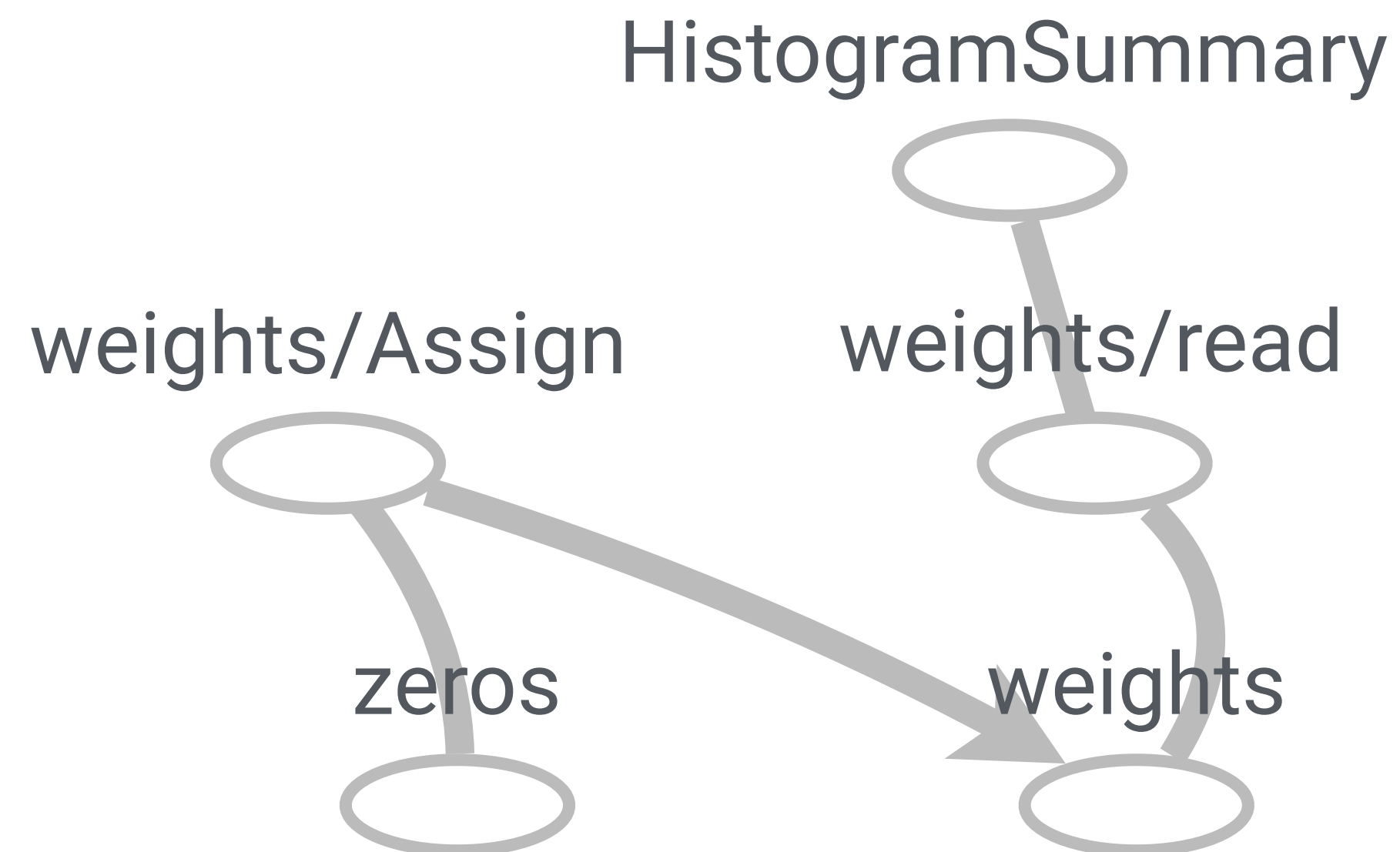
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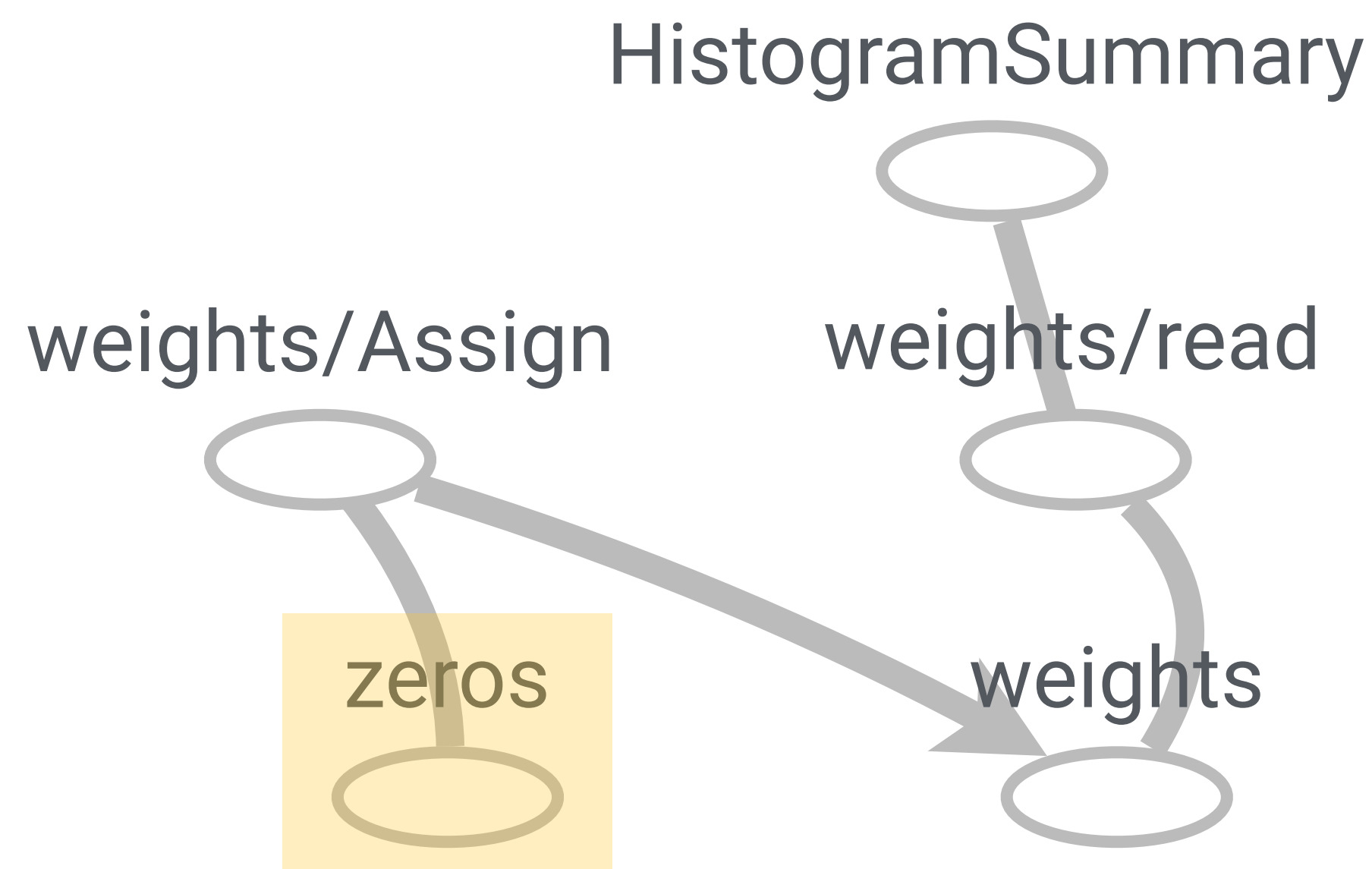
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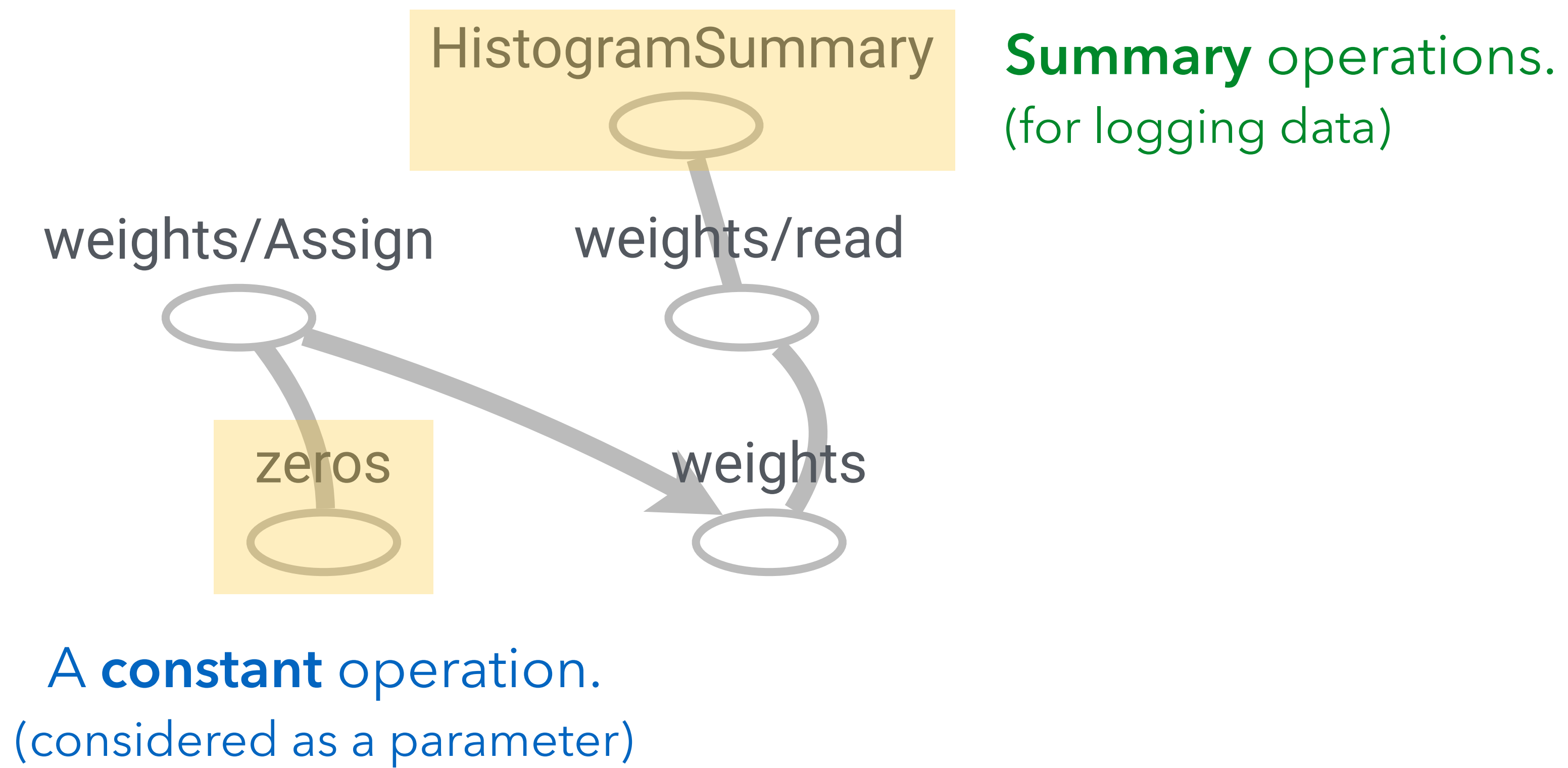
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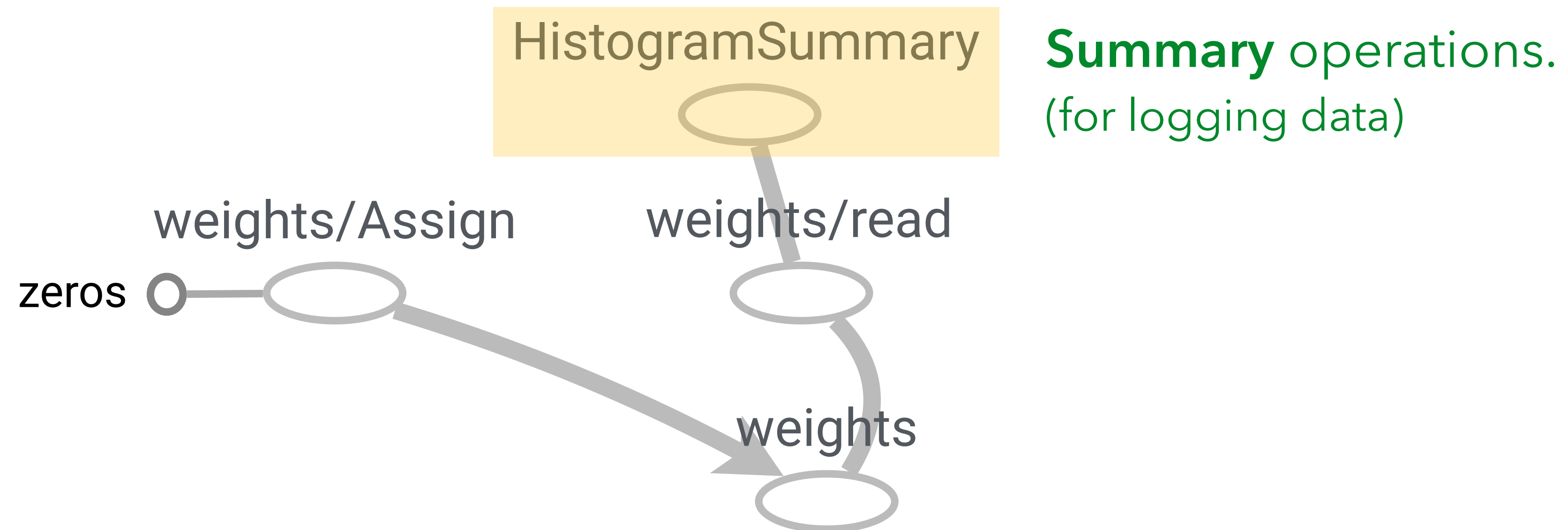
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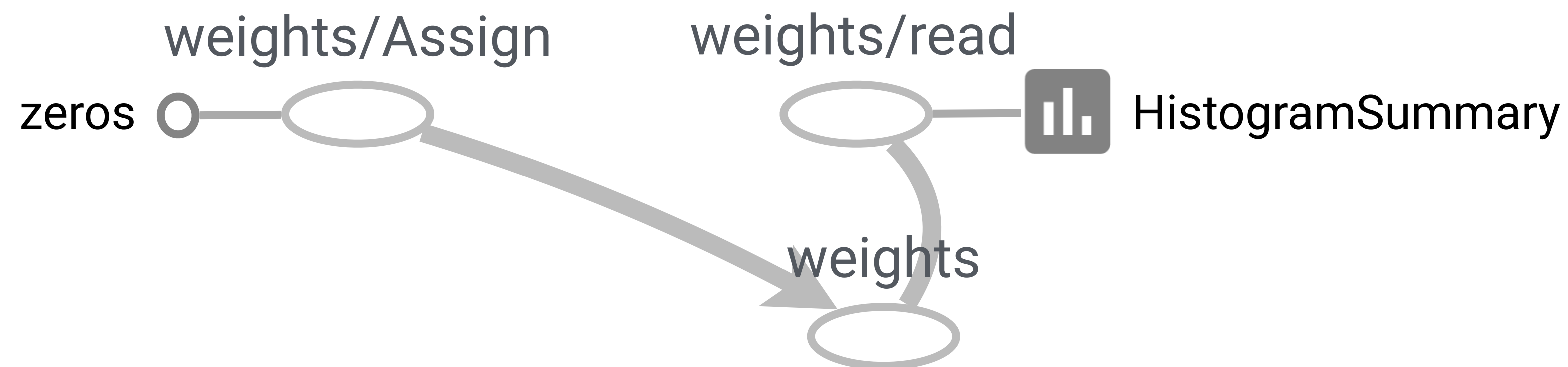
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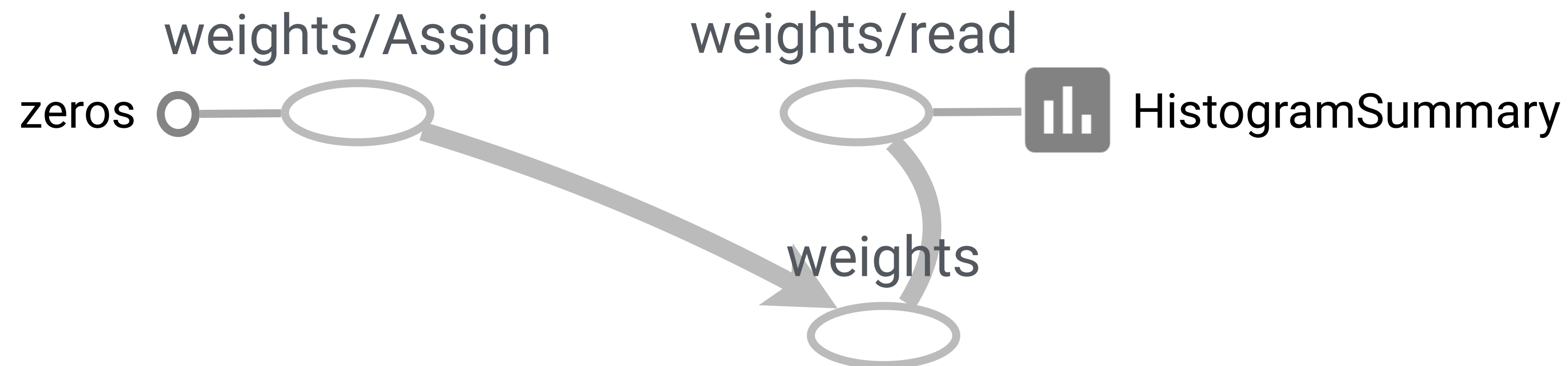
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**Constants and summaries always connect to only one other operations.
Extracting them do not change path between other nodes**

Strategy 2. Build a Hierarchical Clustered Graph

Related: Archambault et al. 2008, Gansner et al. 2005, Balzer et al. 2007

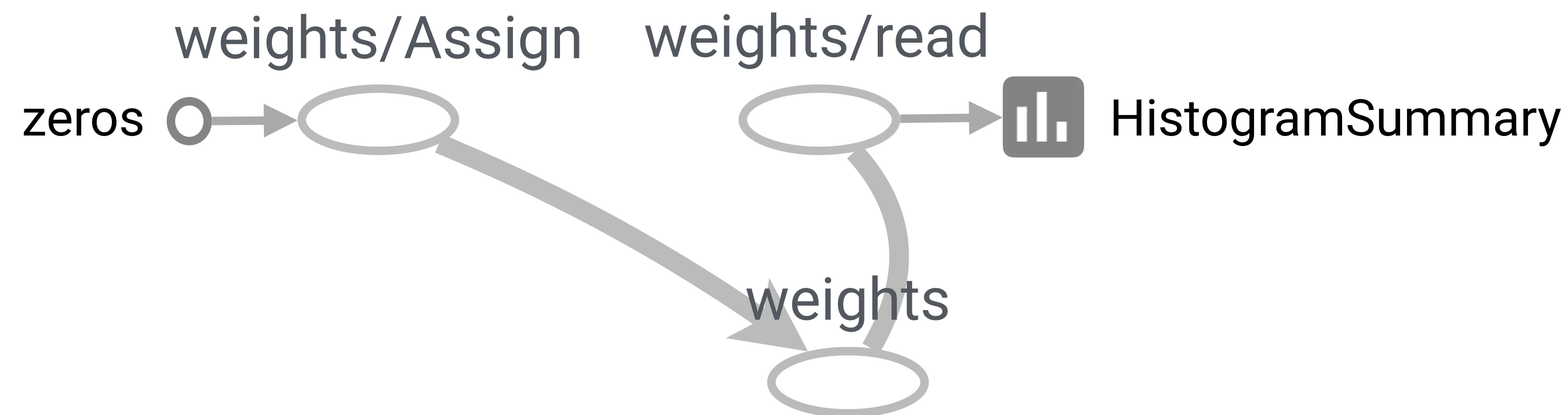
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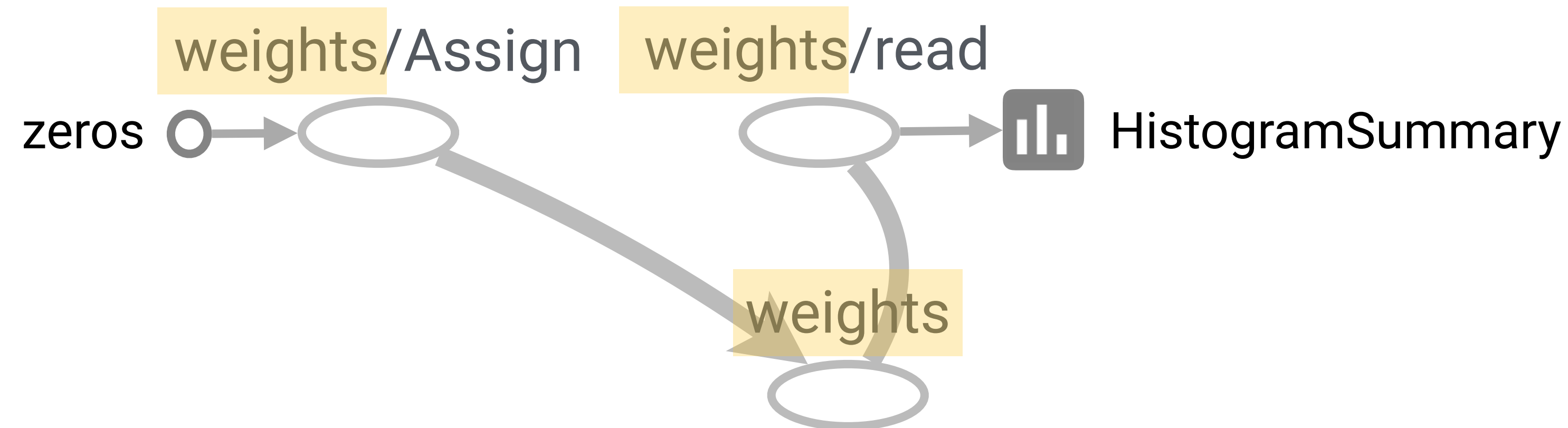
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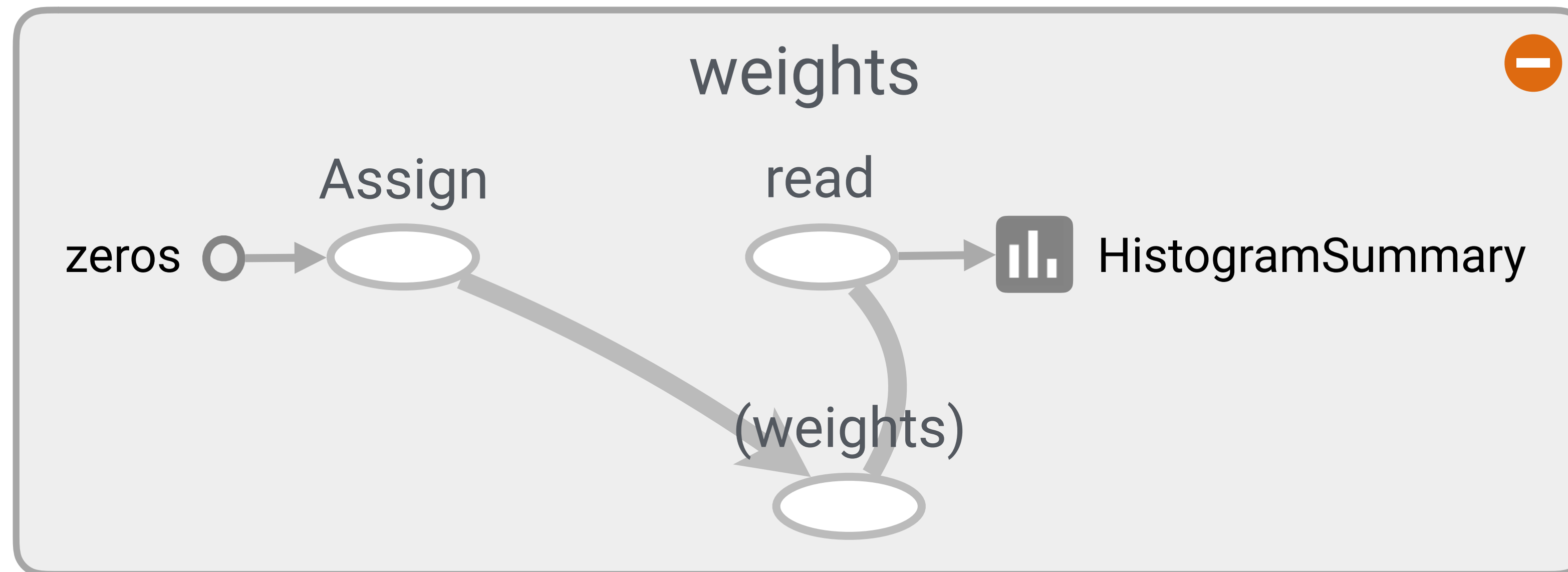
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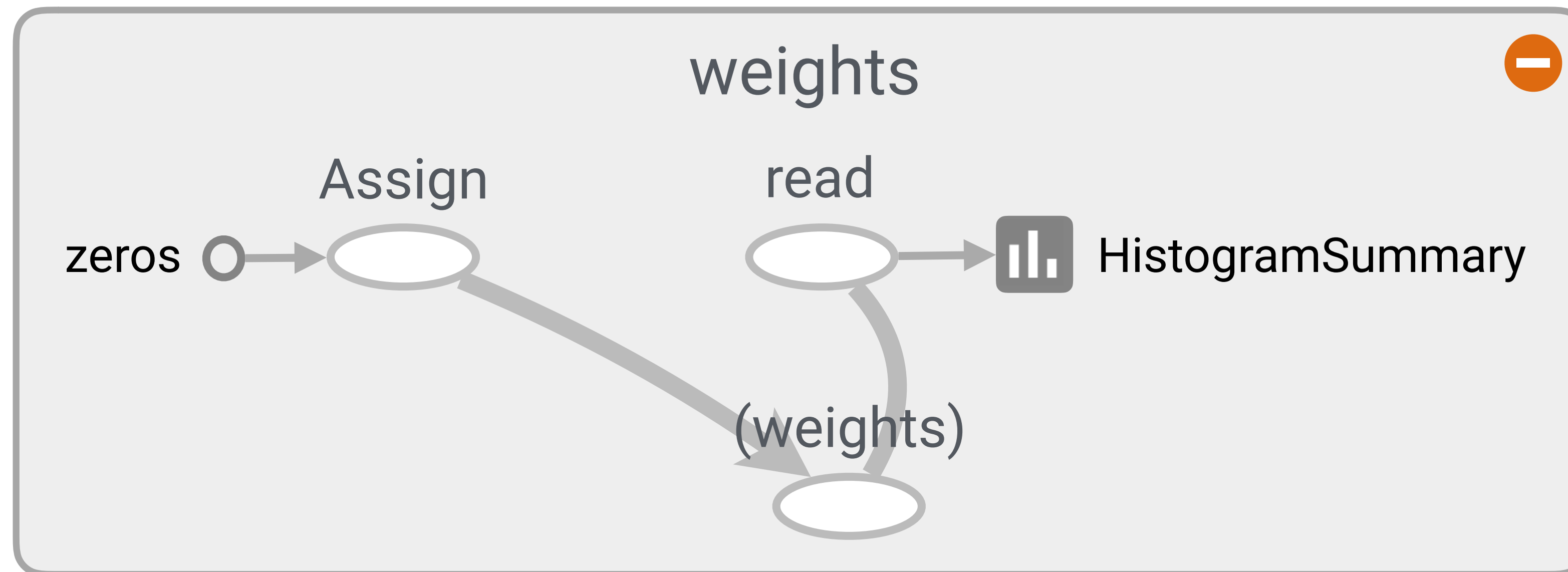


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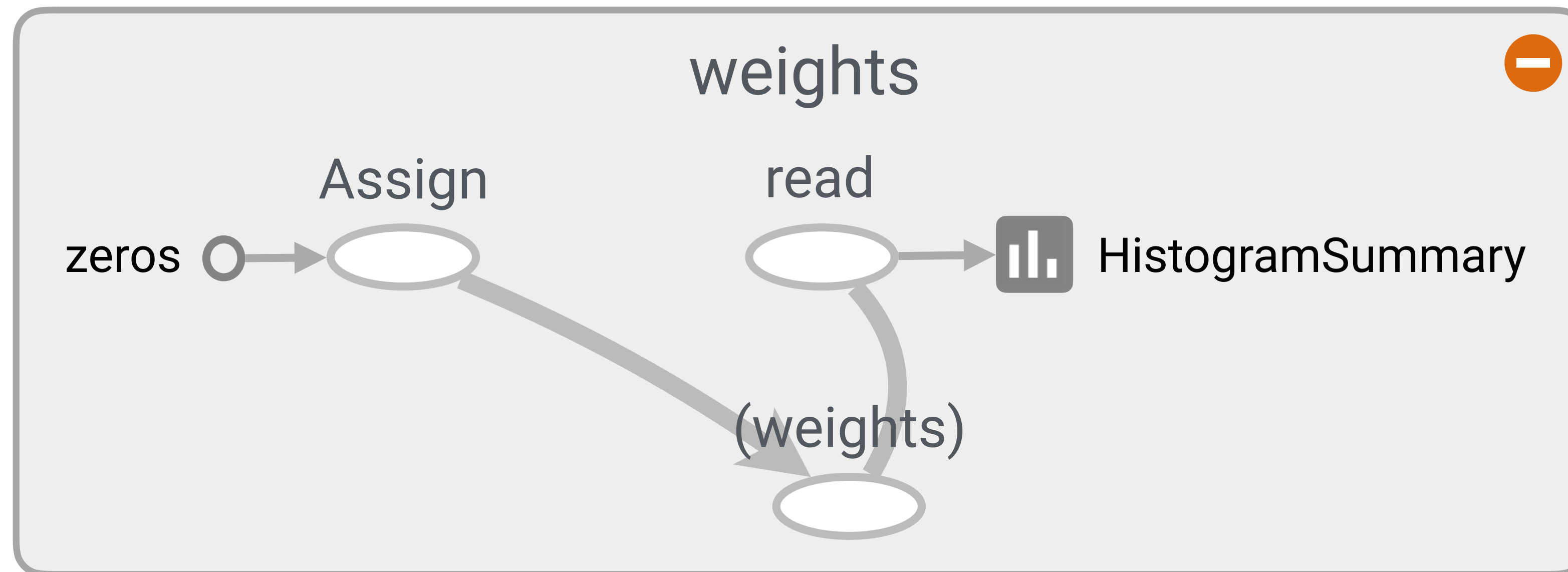
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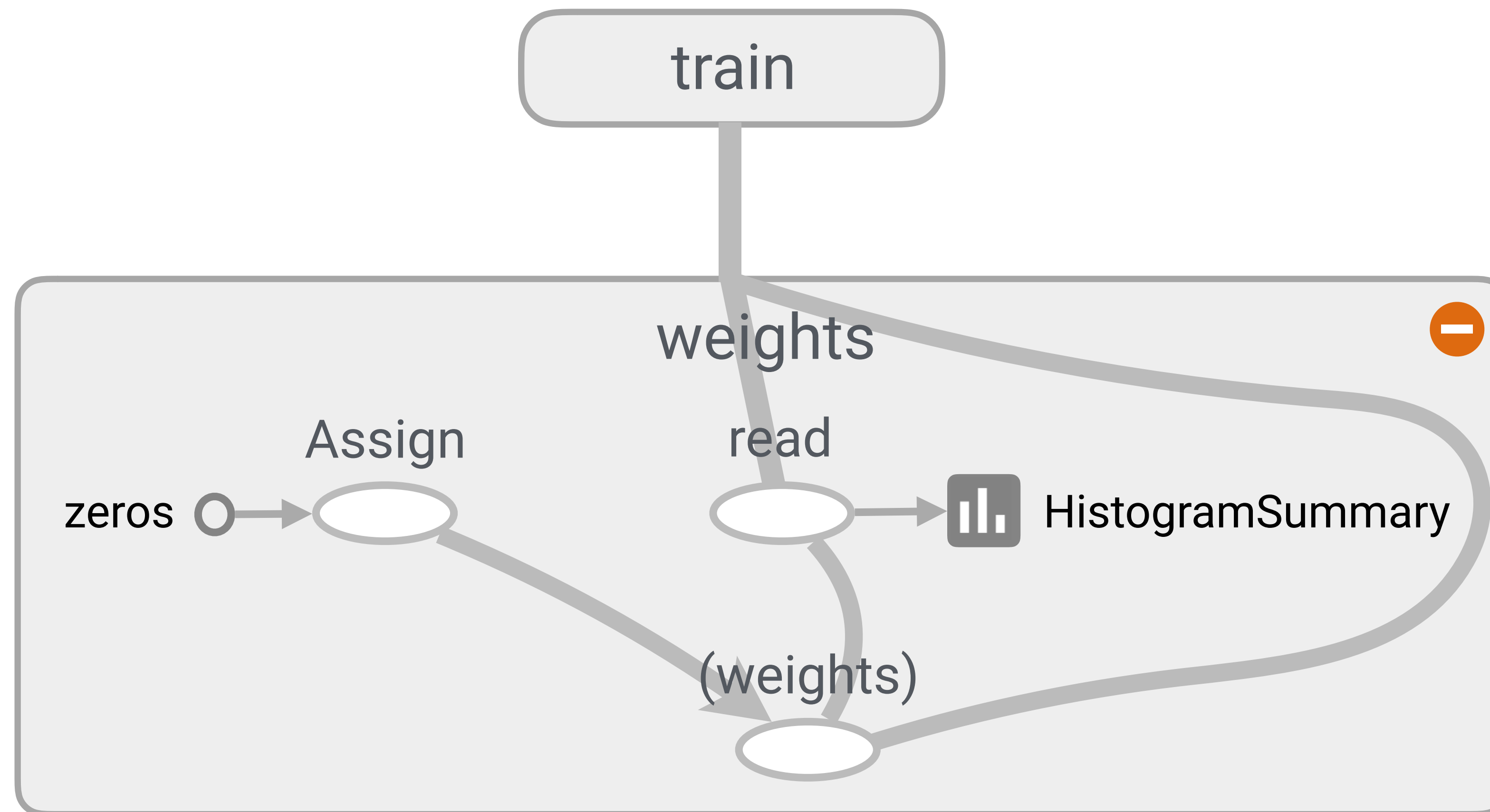
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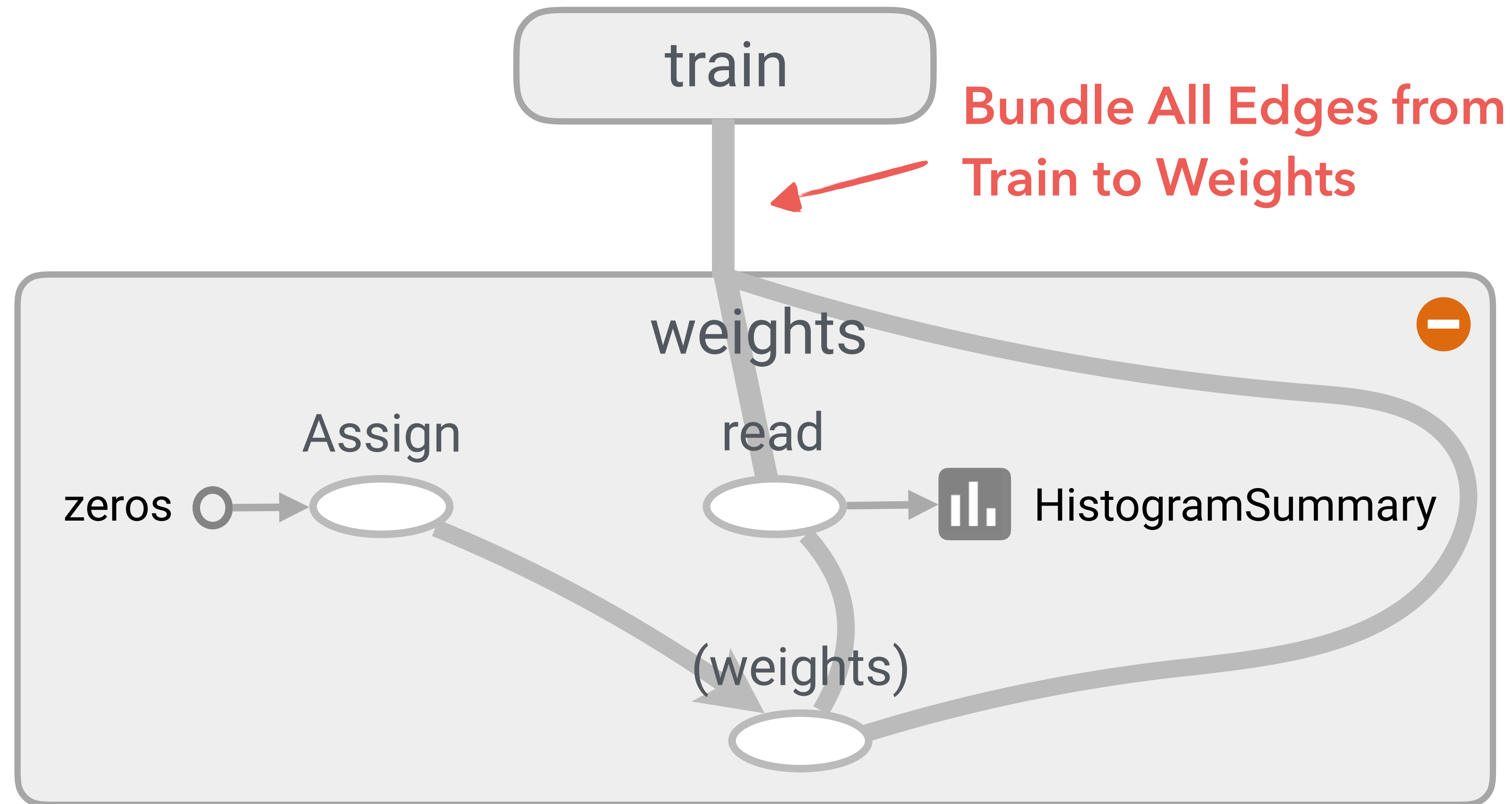
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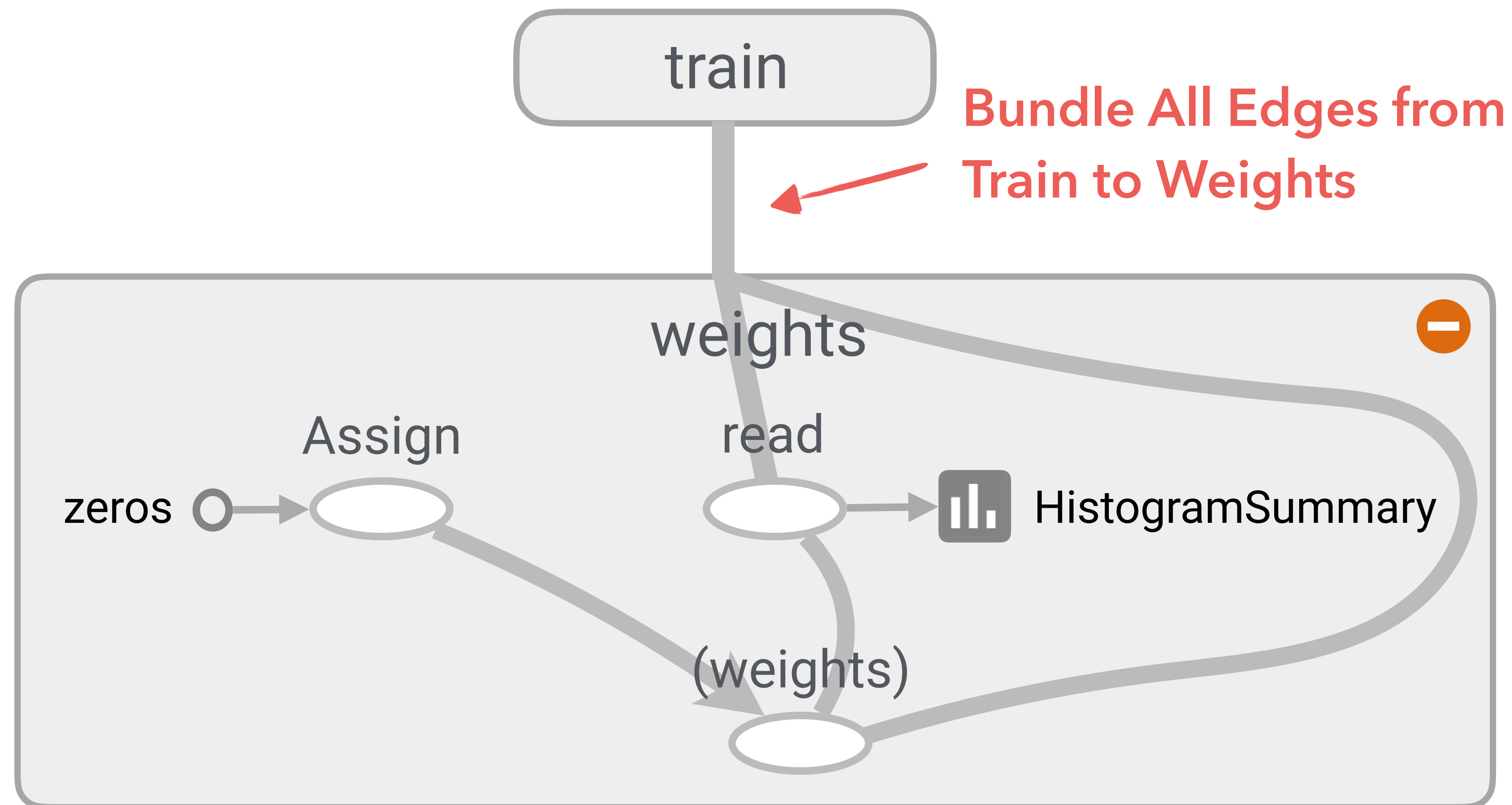
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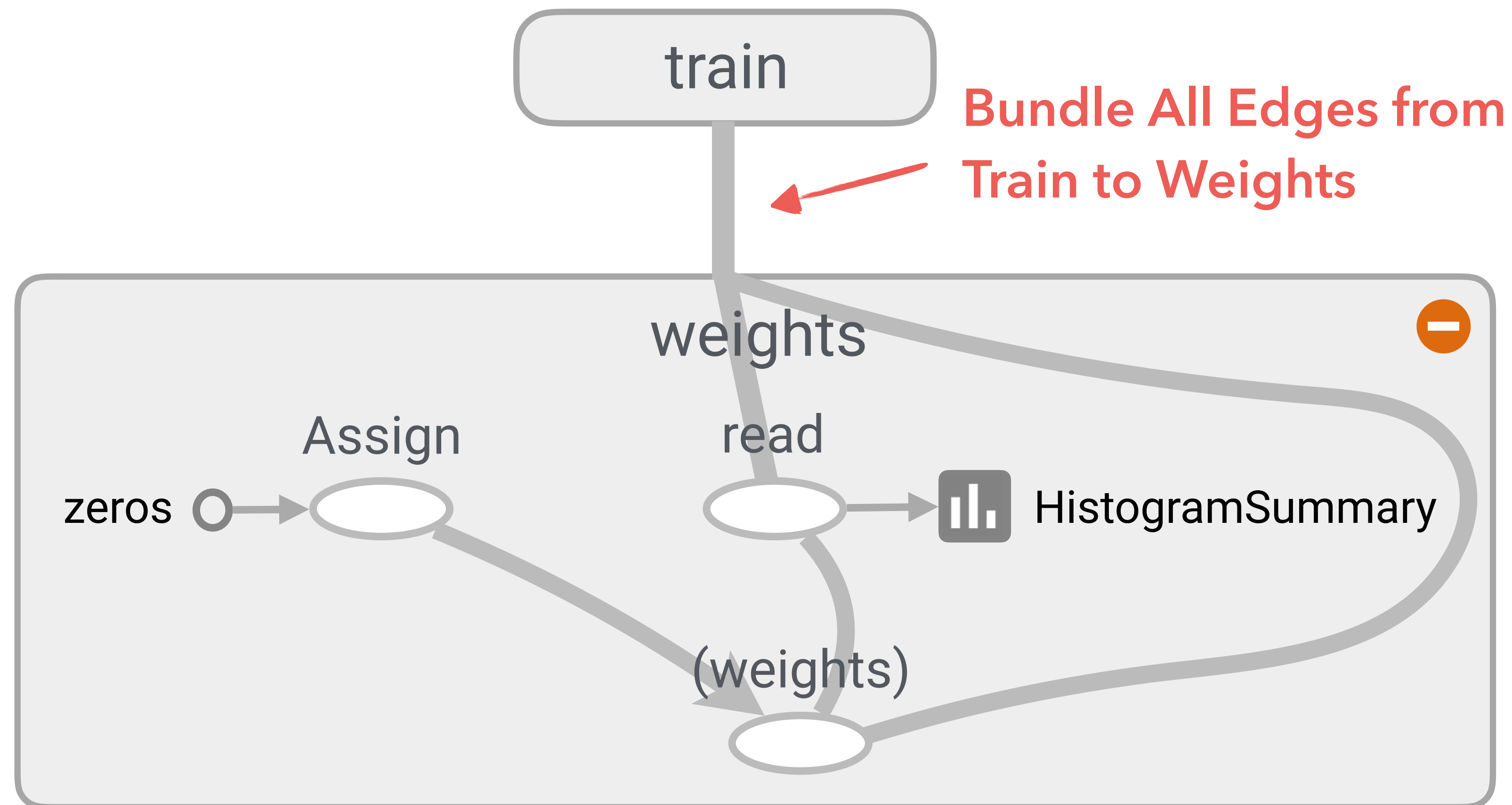


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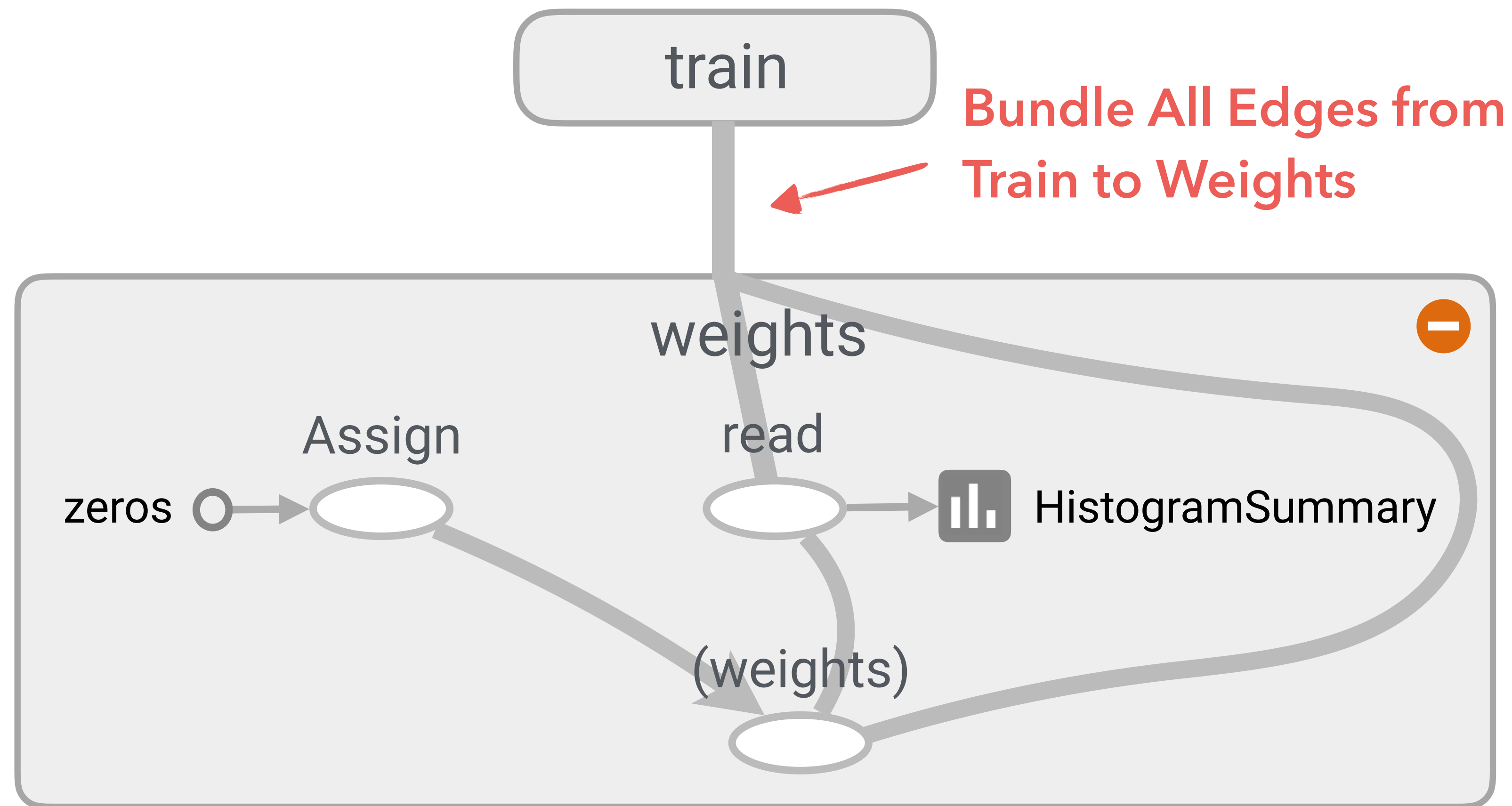
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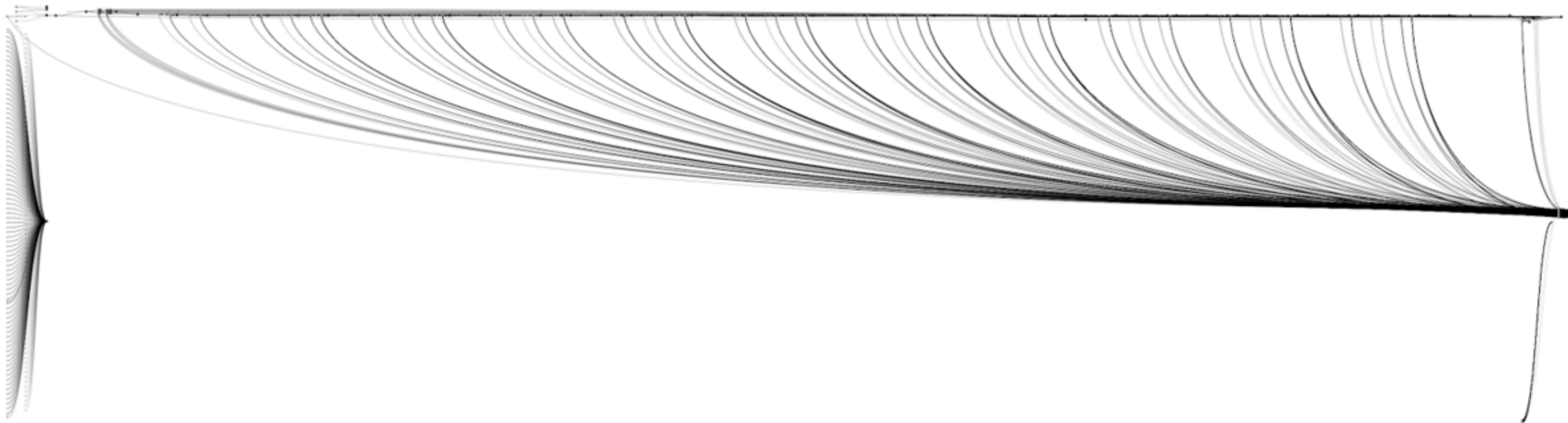
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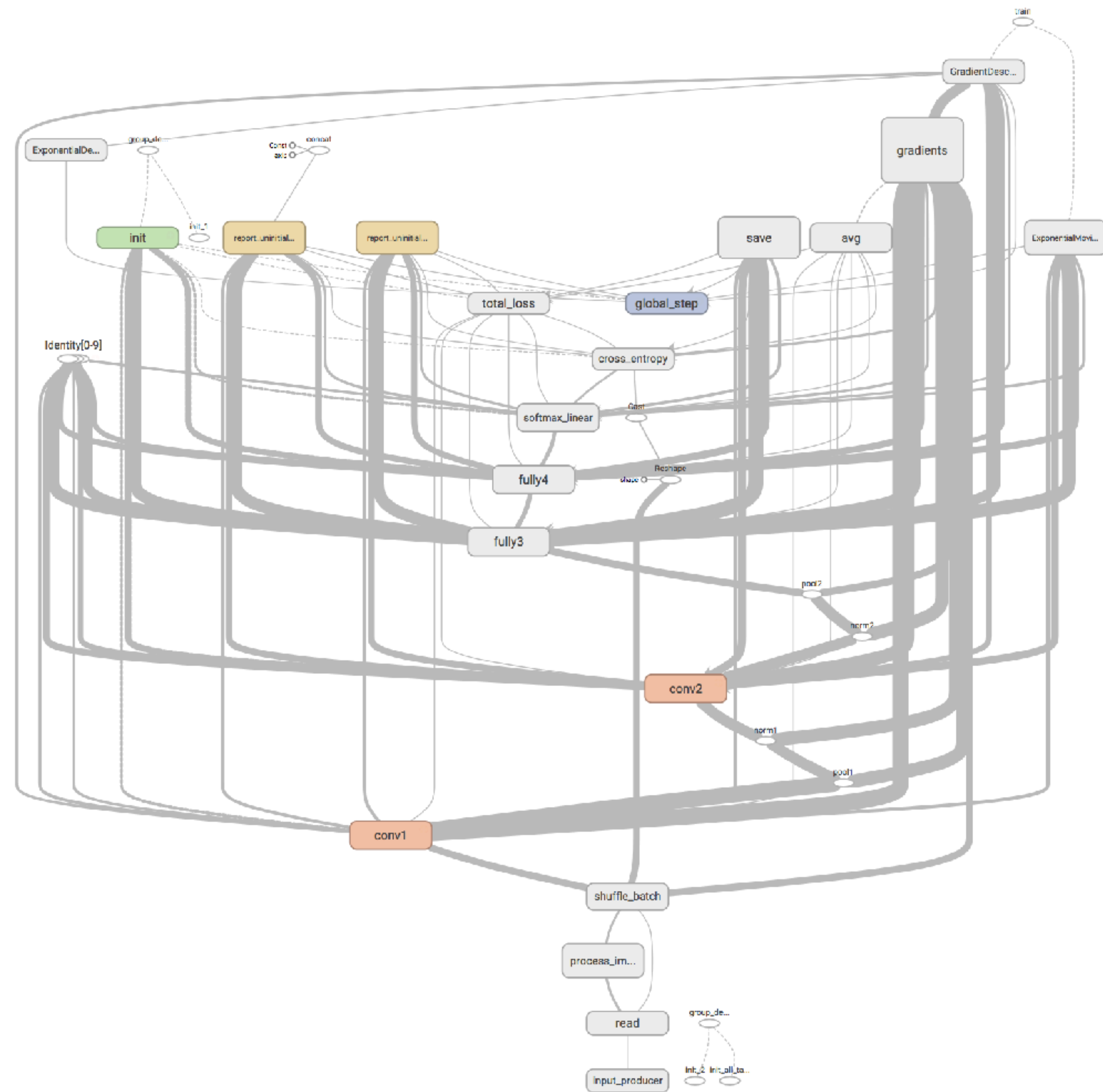


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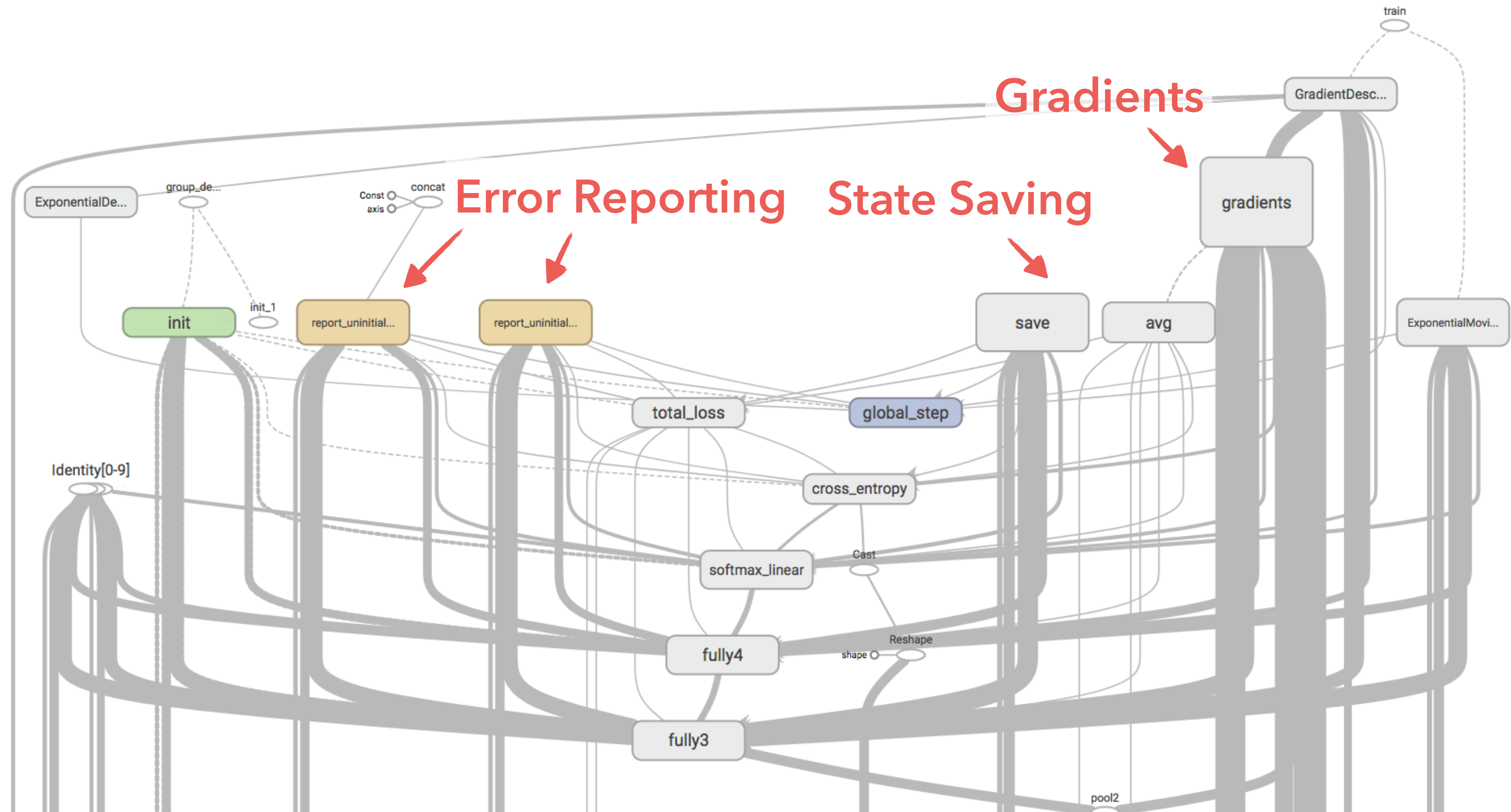
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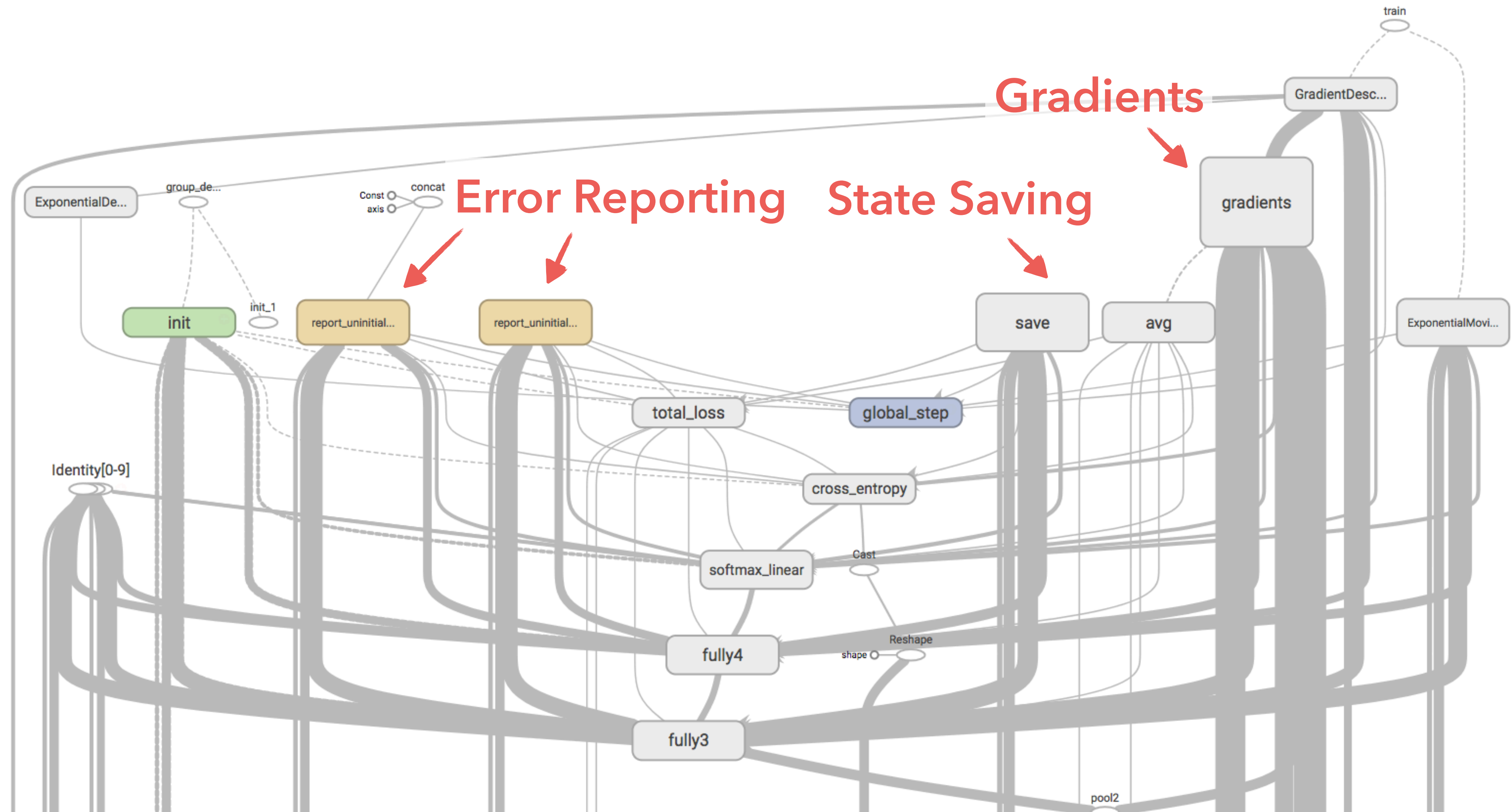
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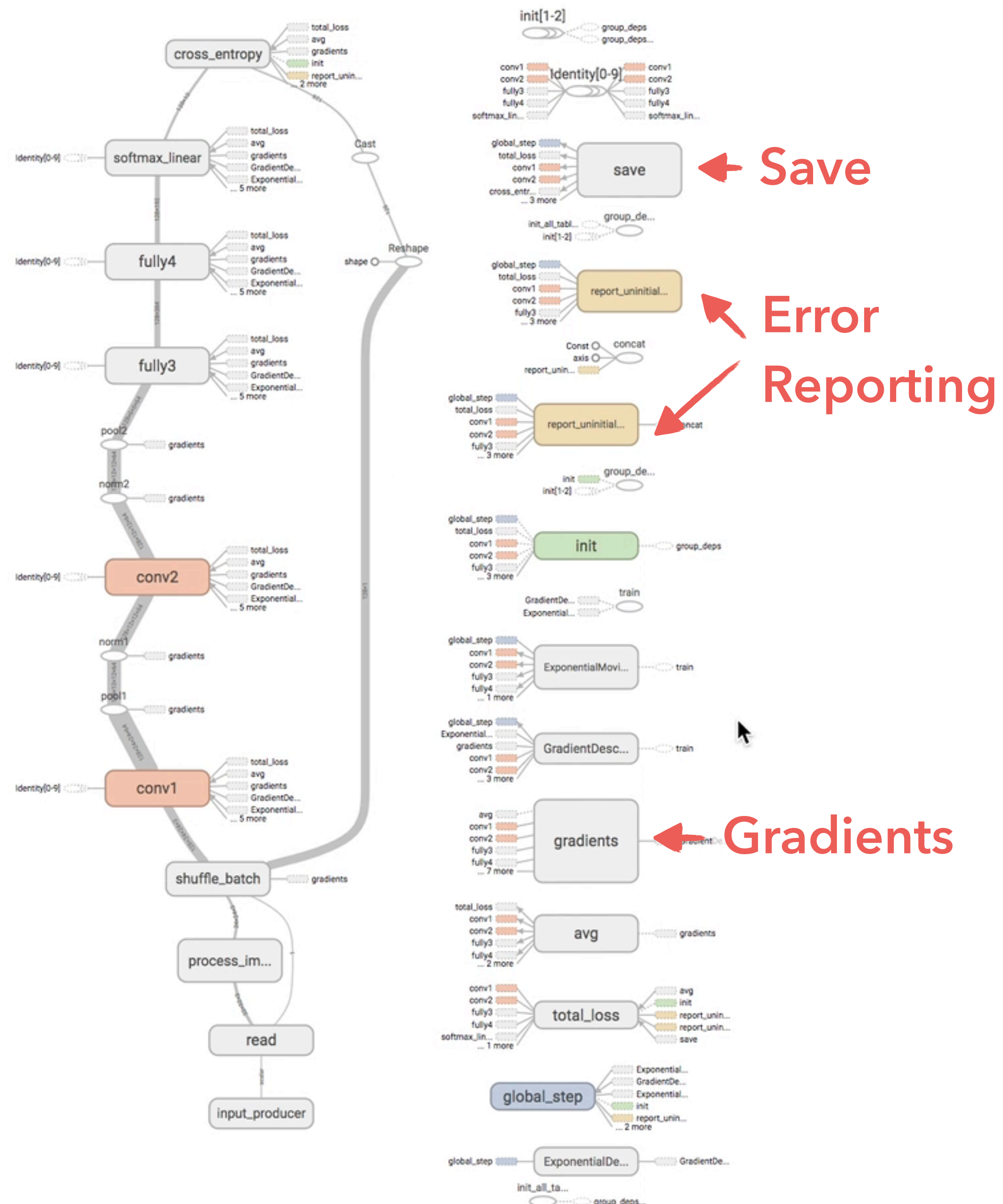


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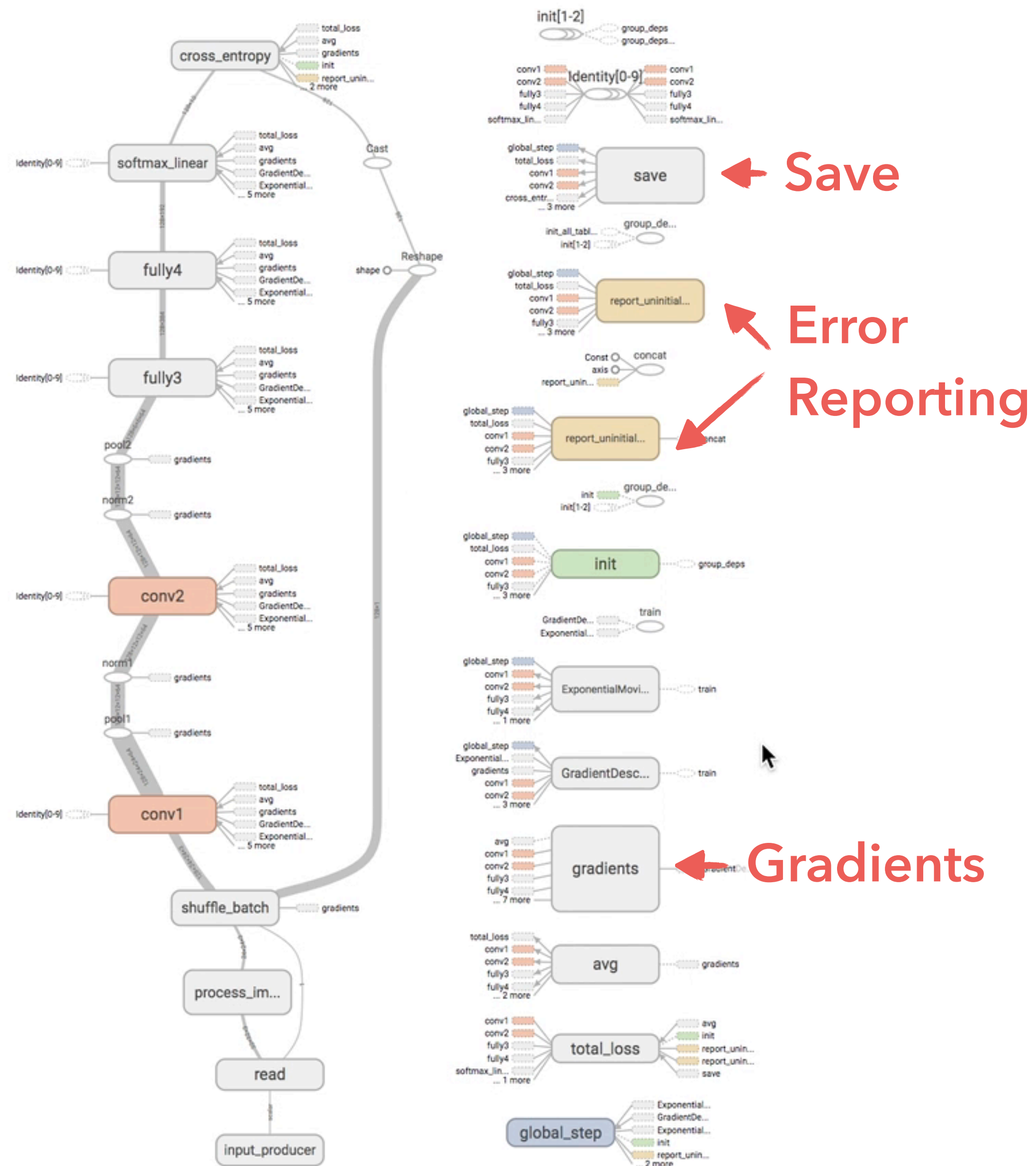
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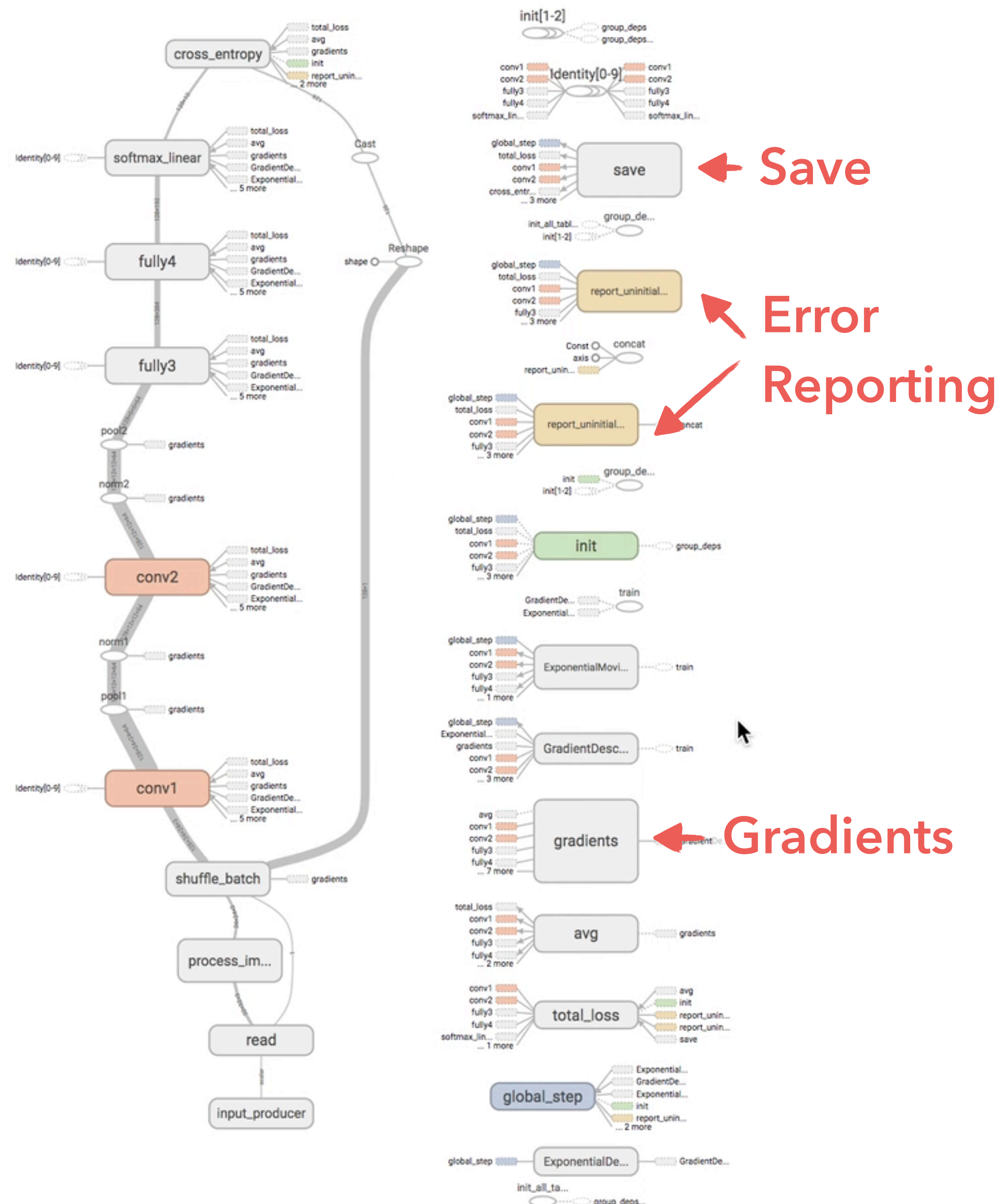




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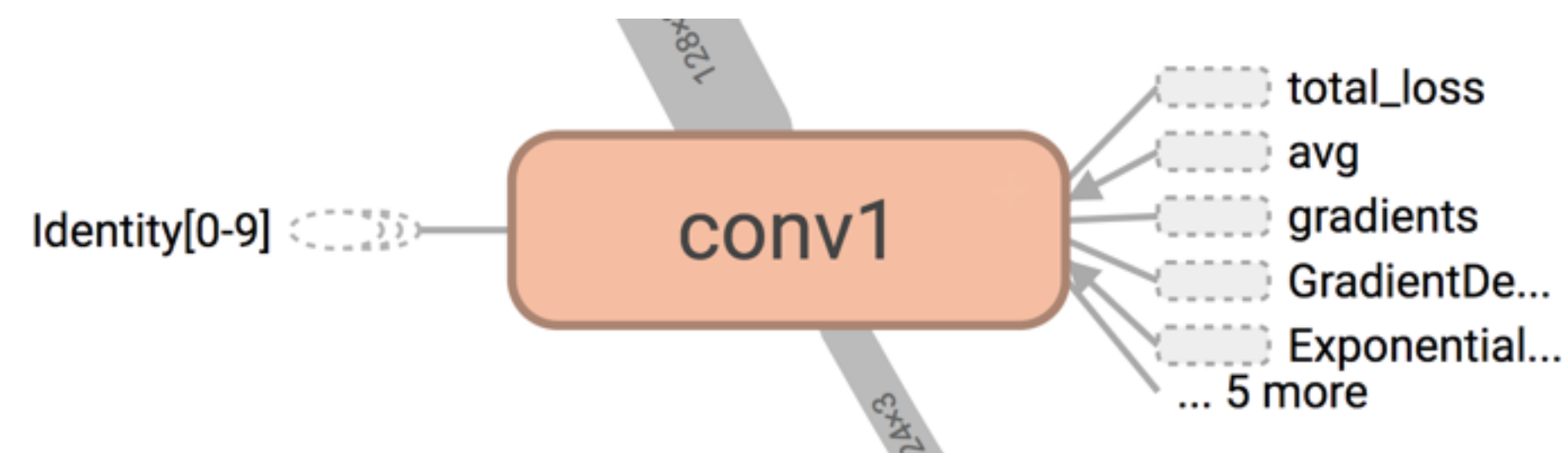


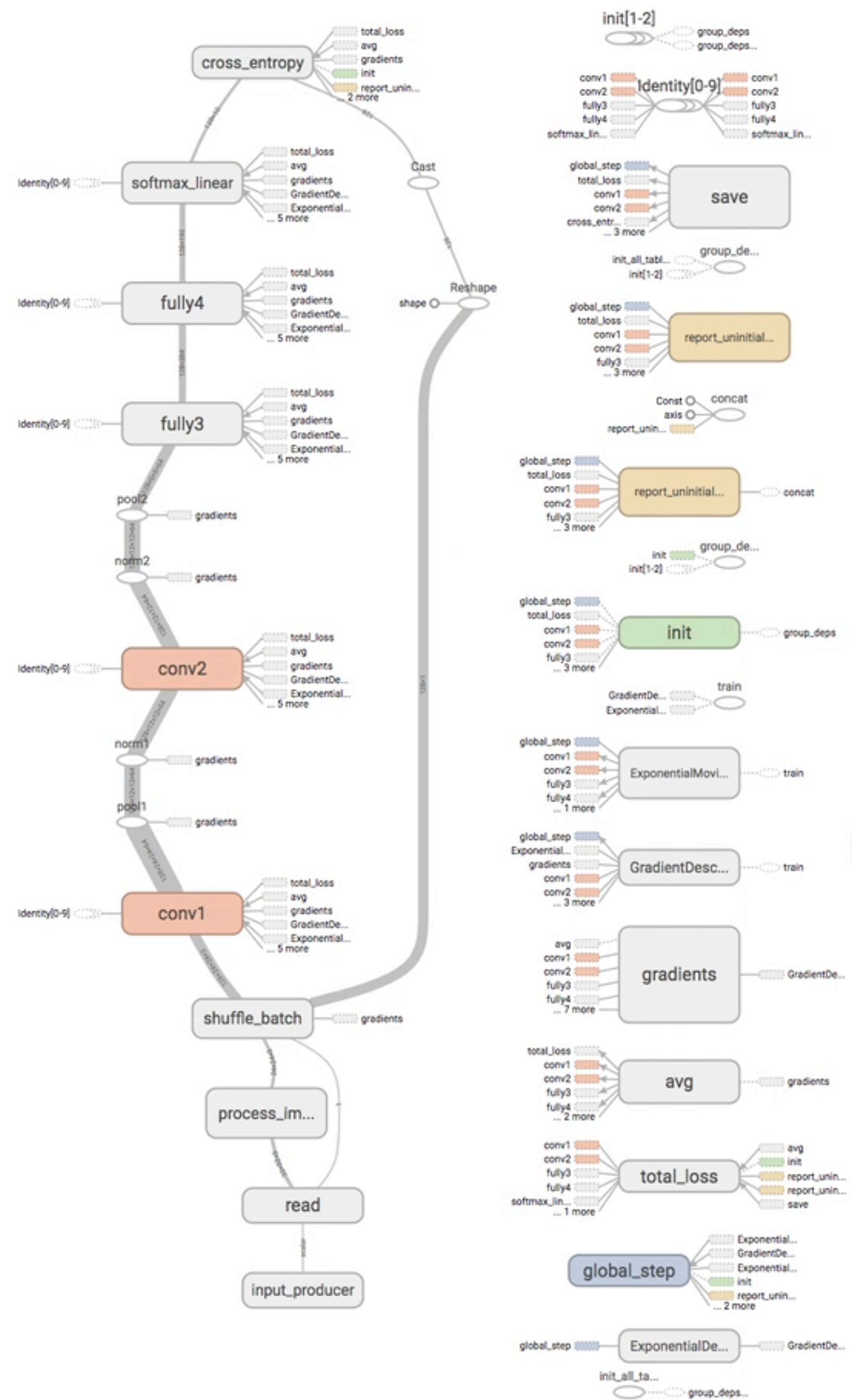
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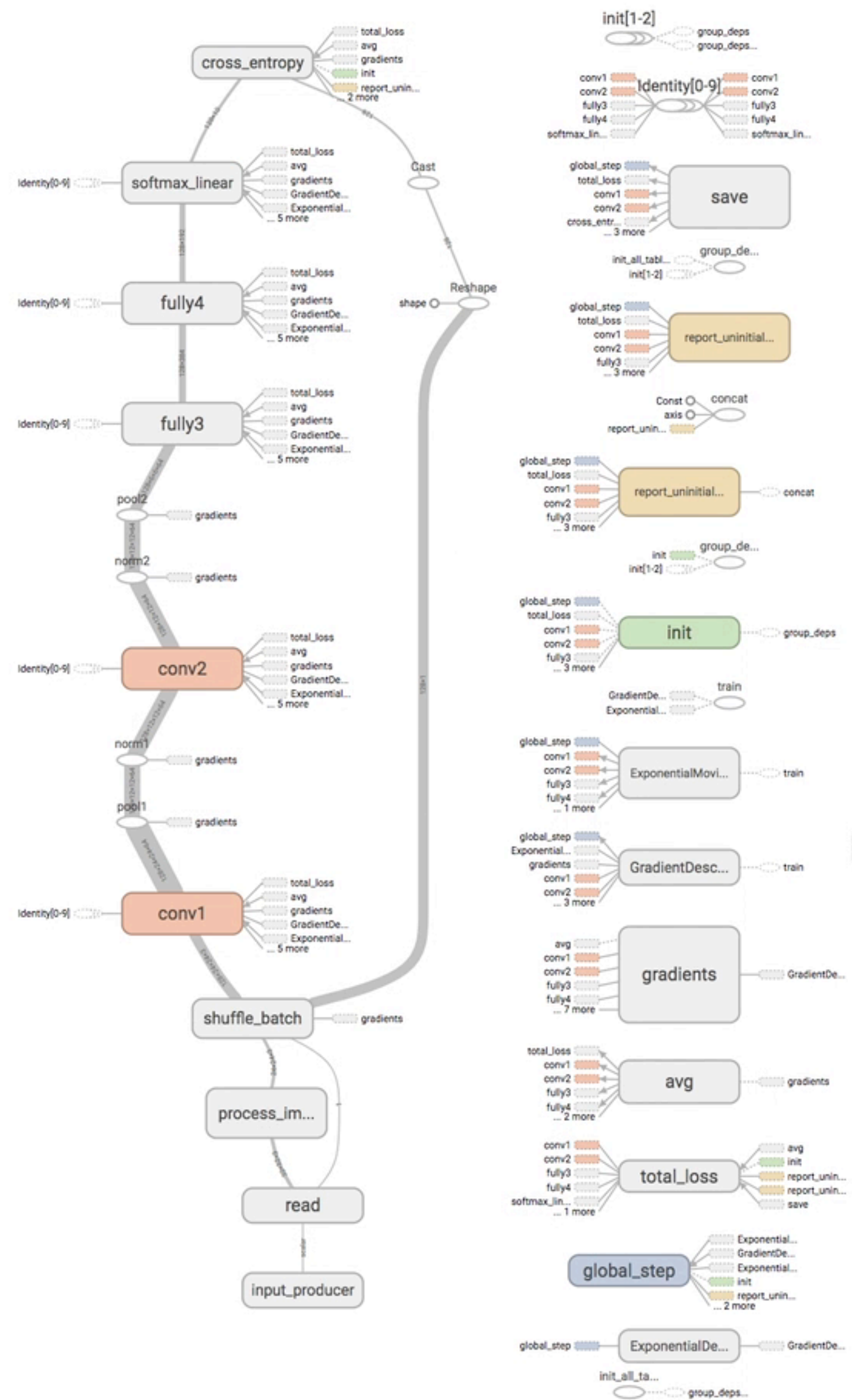
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Mandelbrot Set

Partial Differential Equations

TensorFlow Versions

Here is a graph generated from TensorBoard describing the inference operation:

```
graph BT; conv1 --> pool1; pool1 --> norm1; norm1 --> conv2; conv2 --> norm2; norm2 --> pool2; pool2 --> local3; local3 --> local4; local4 --> softmax_linear
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EXERCISE: The output of `inference` are un-normalized logits. Try editing the network architecture to return normalized predictions using `tf.nn.softmax`.

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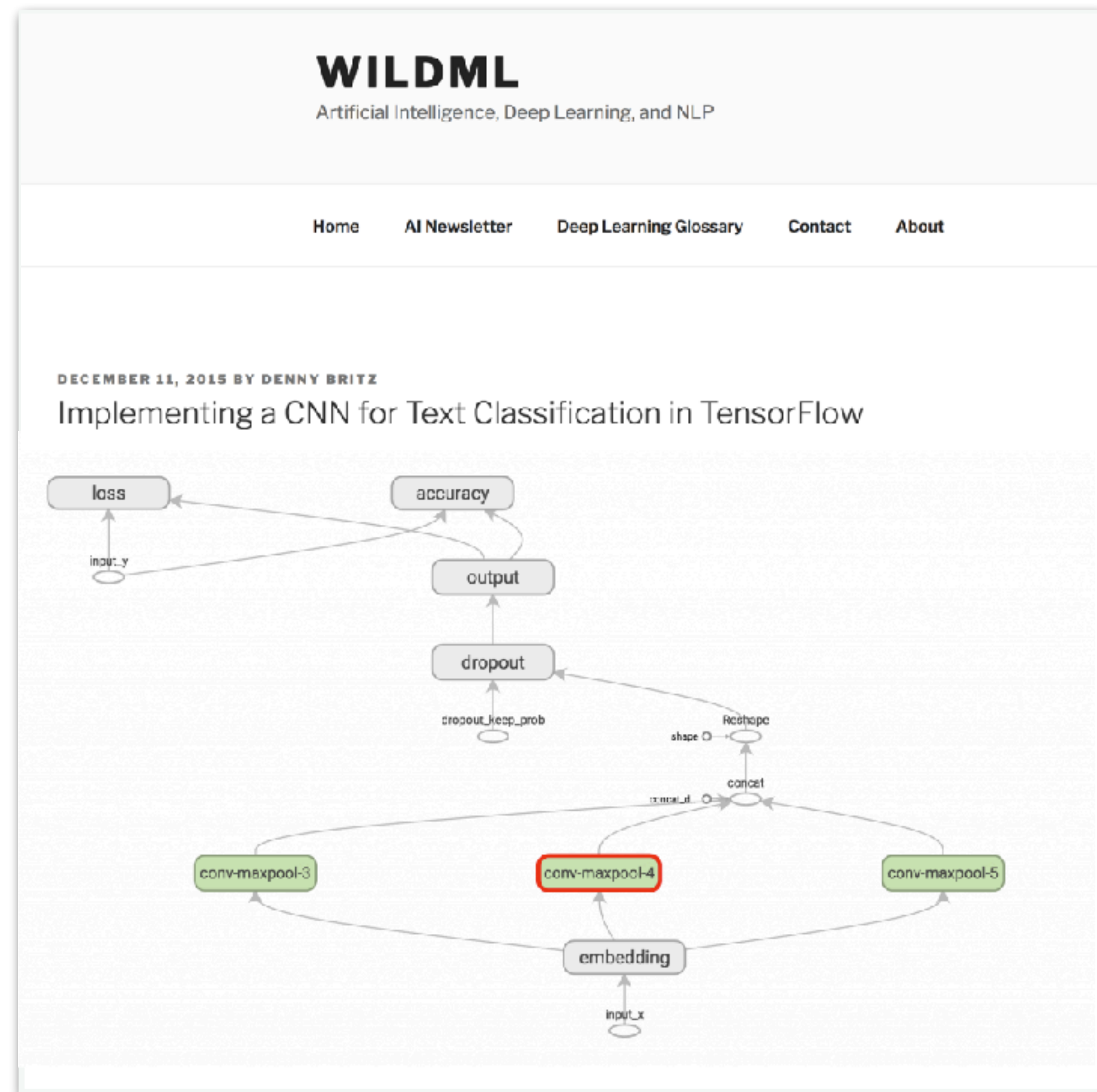
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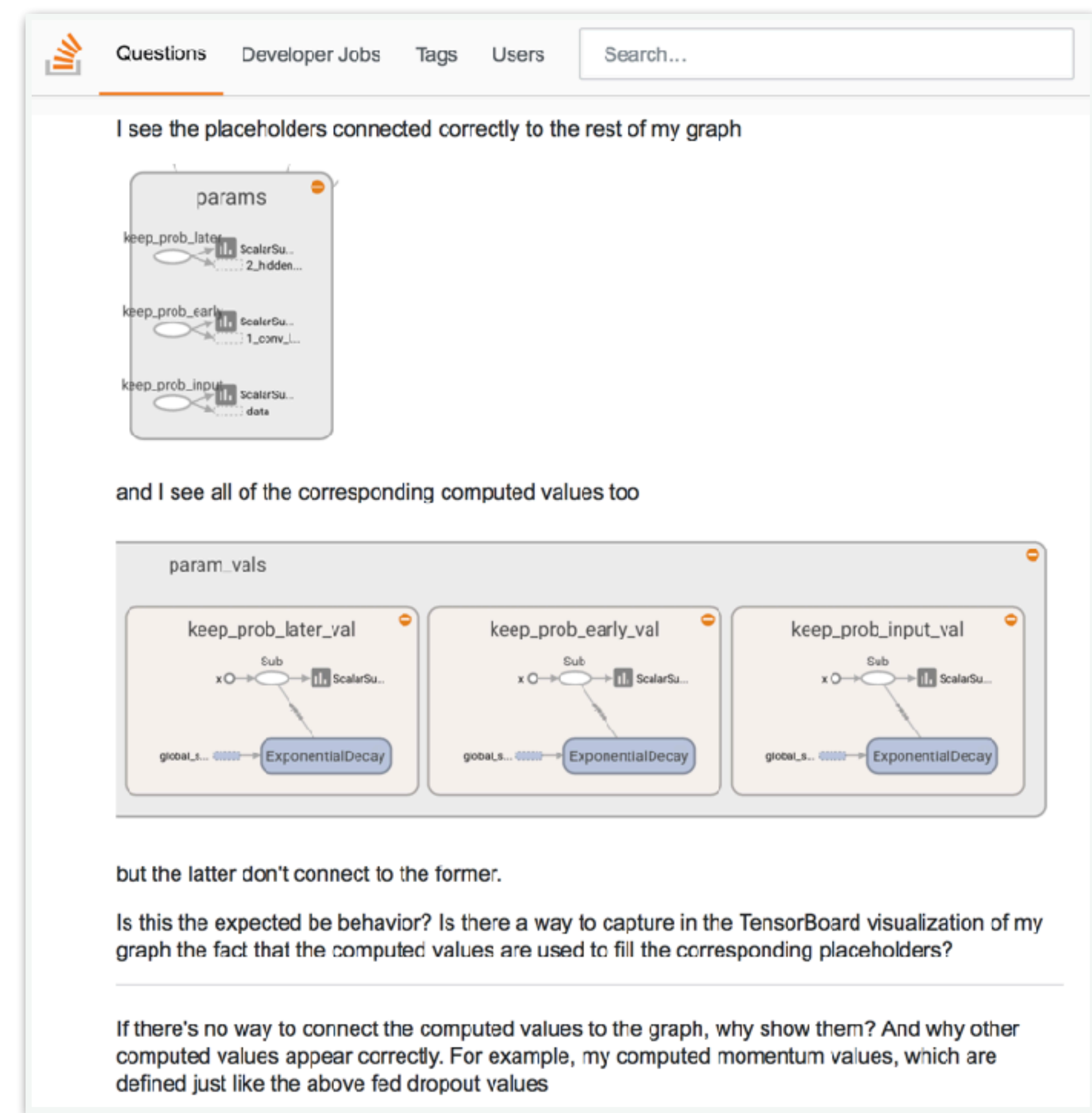
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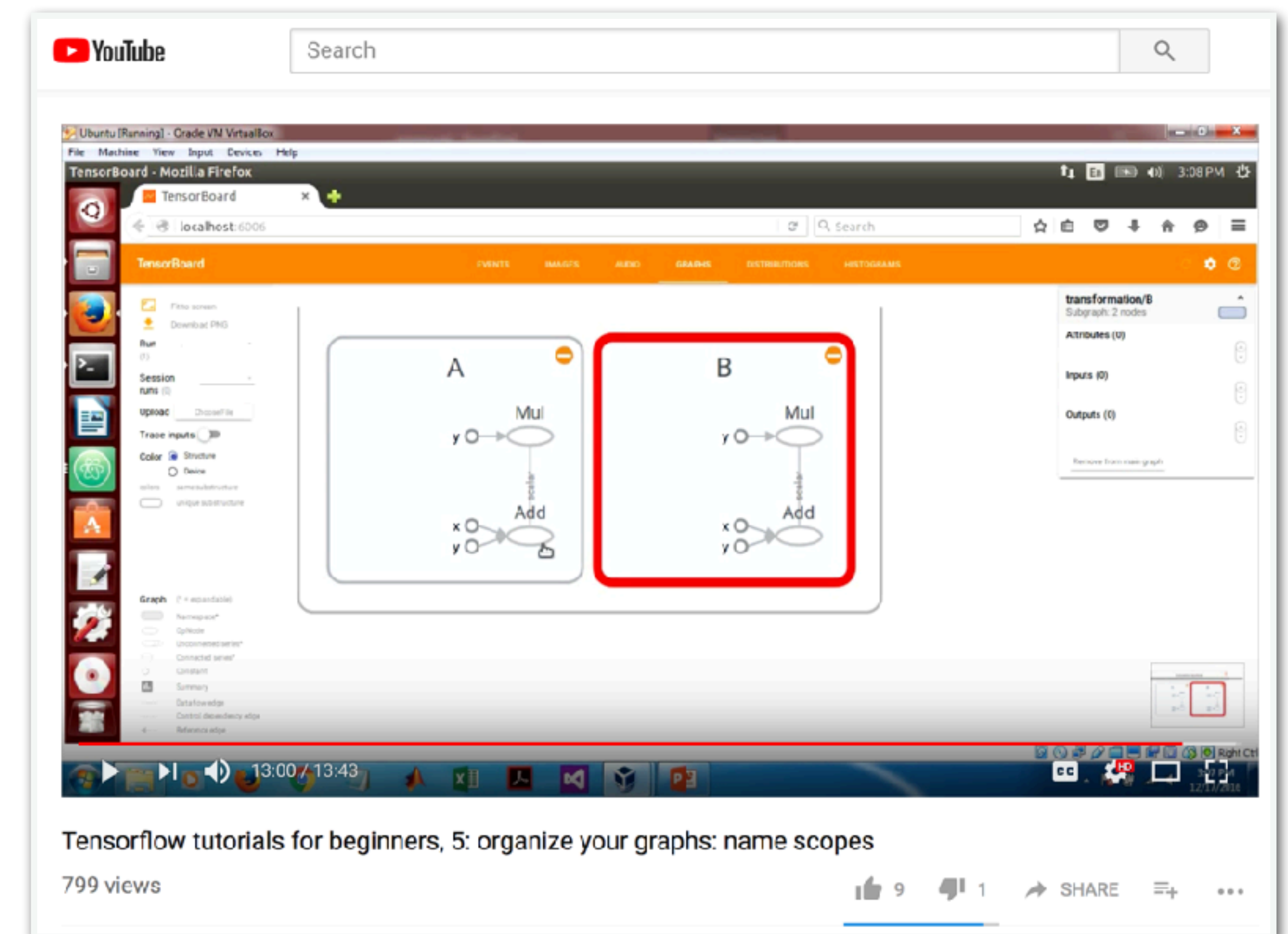
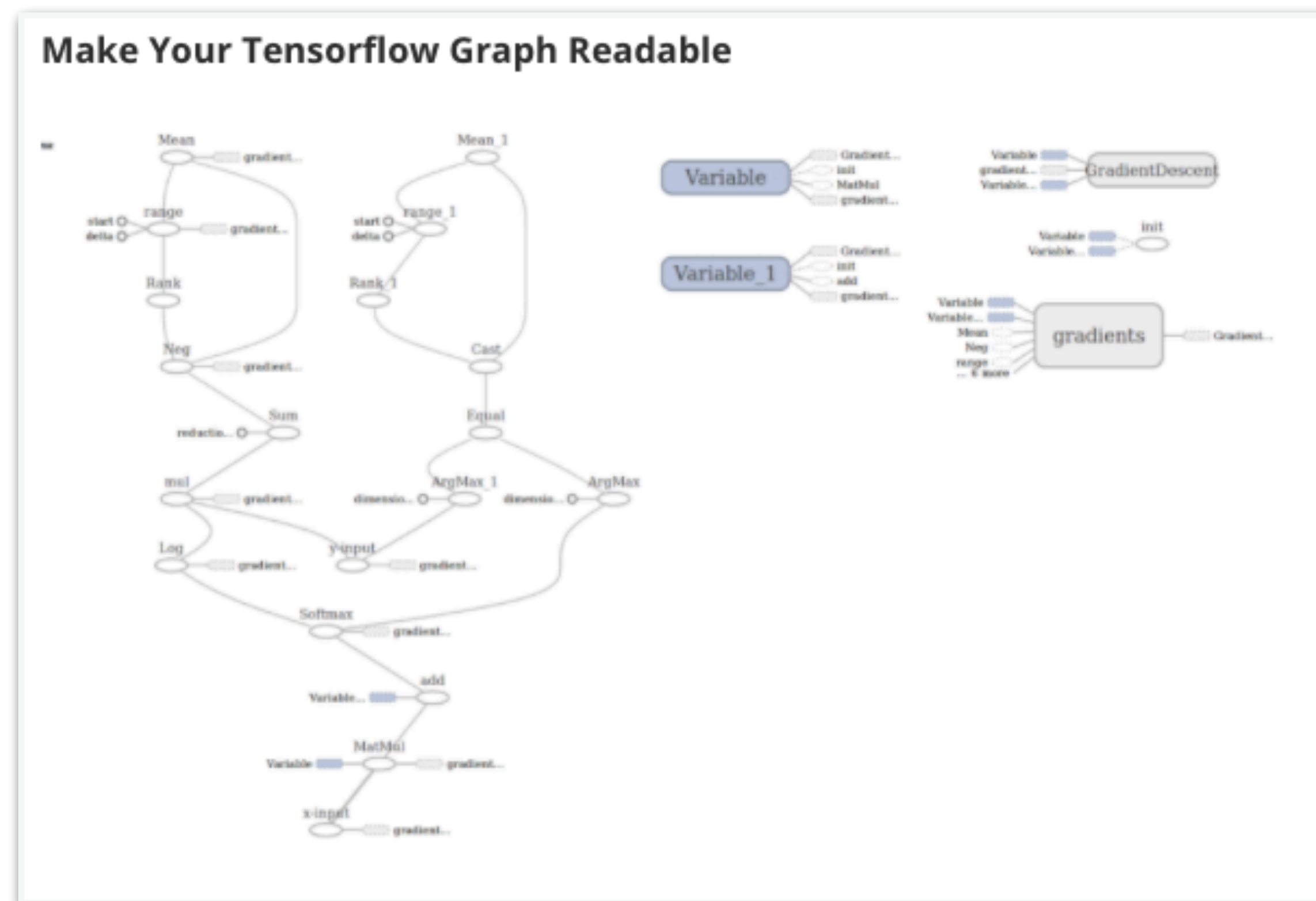
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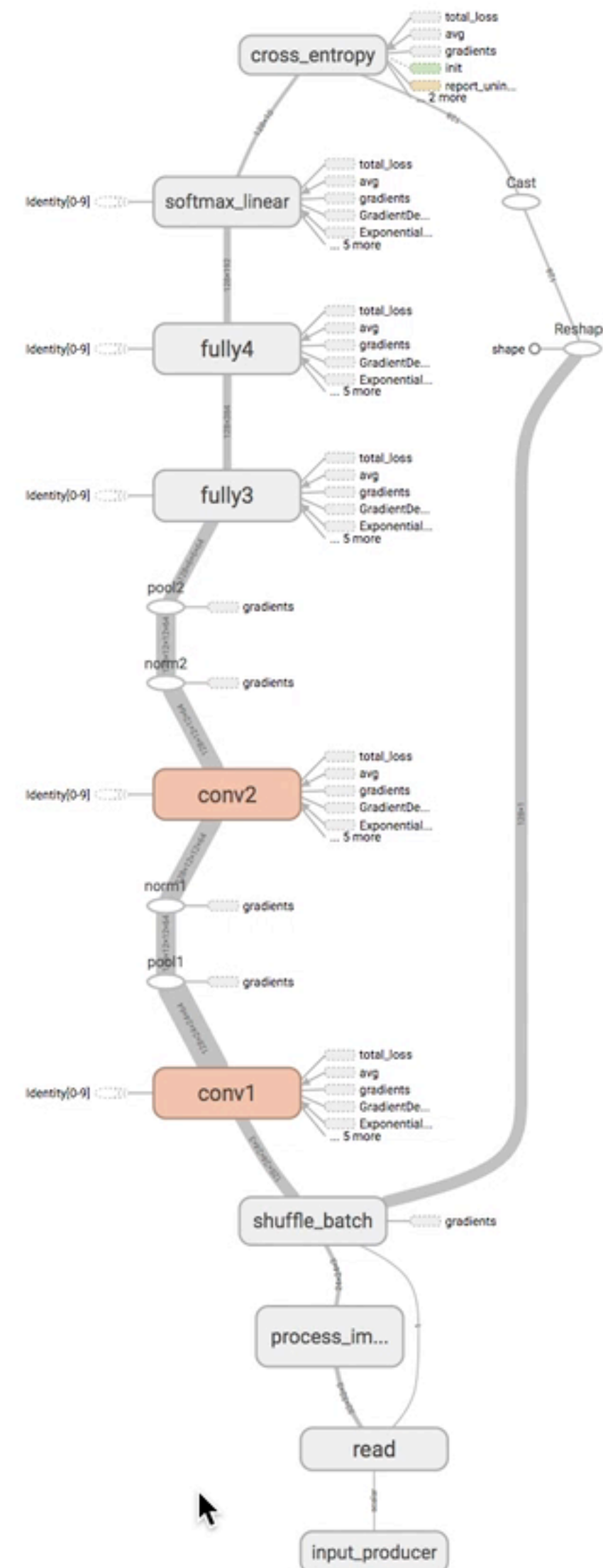


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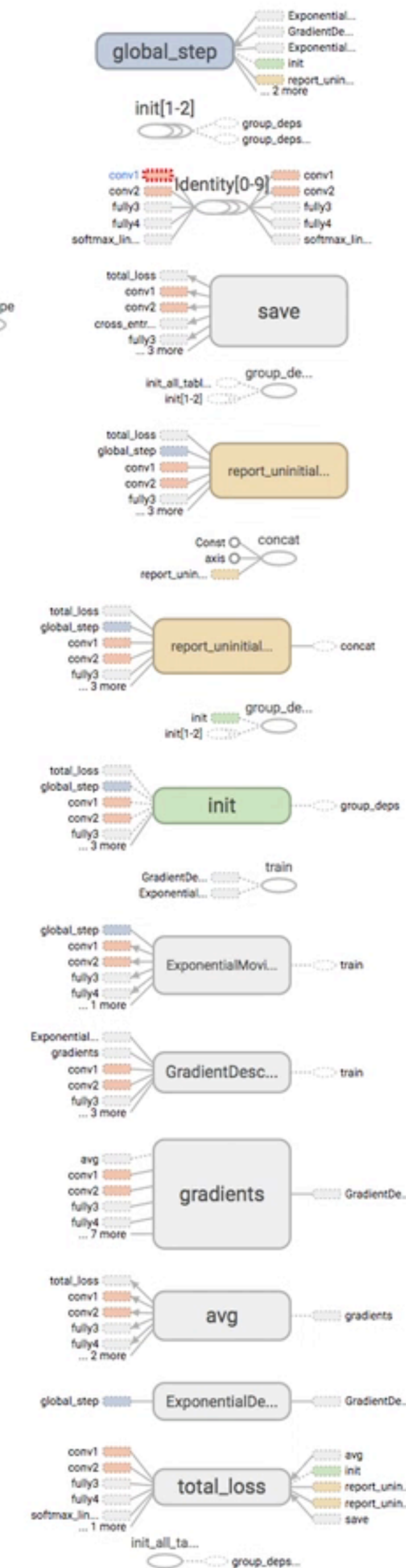


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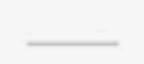
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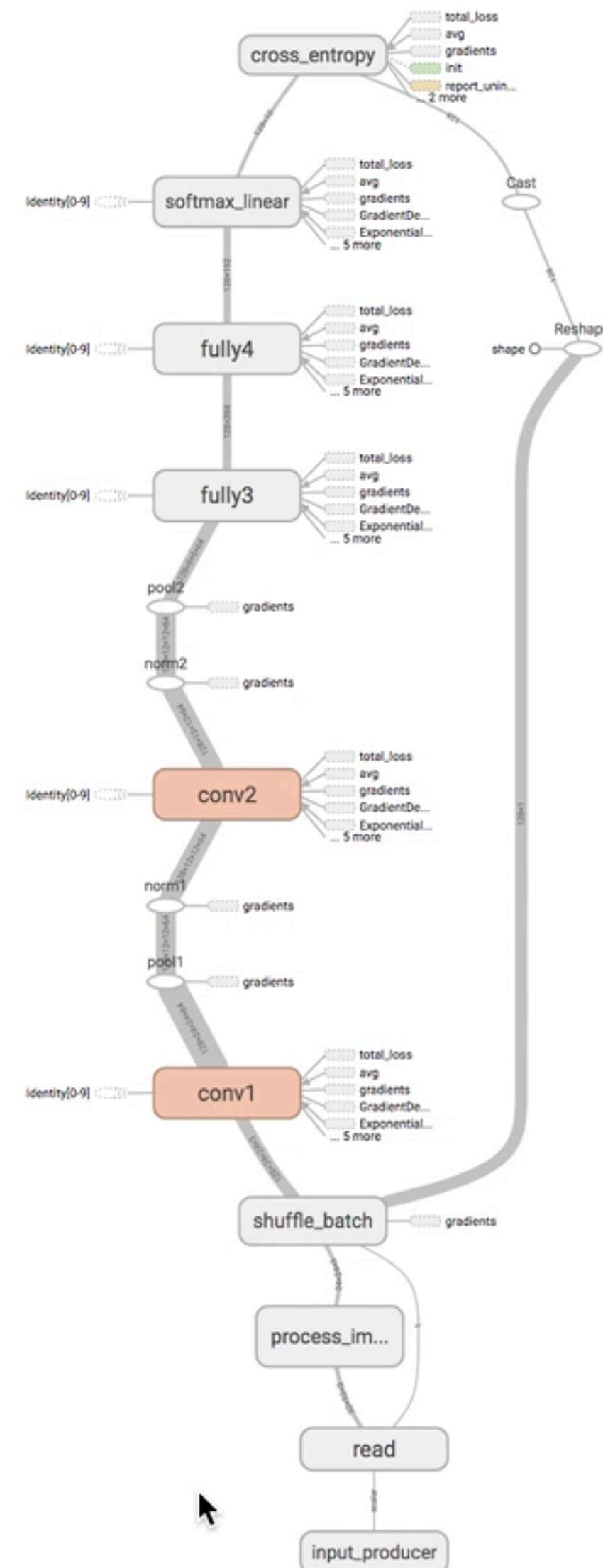


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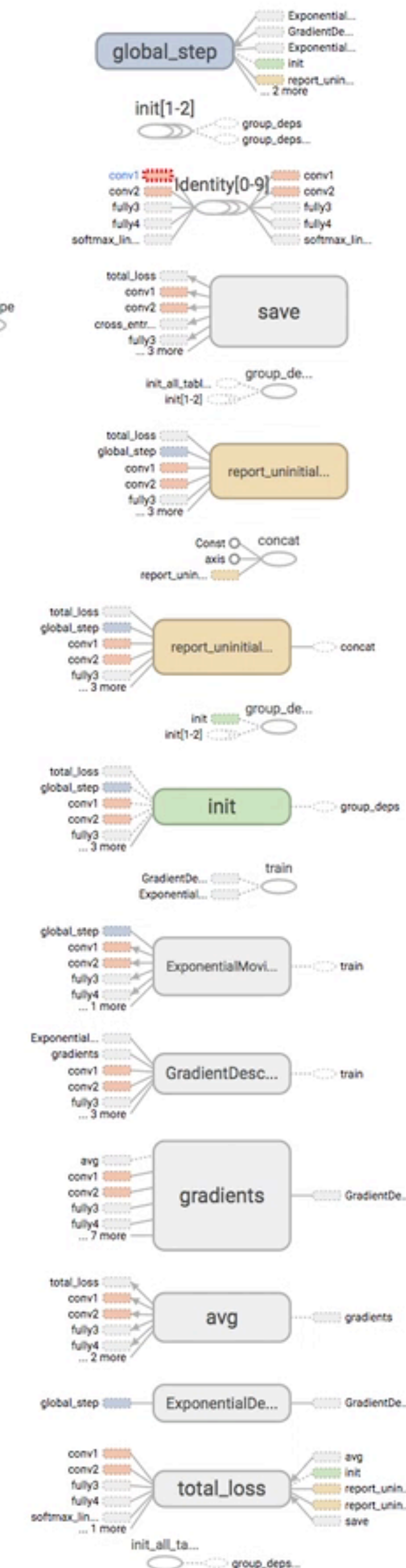


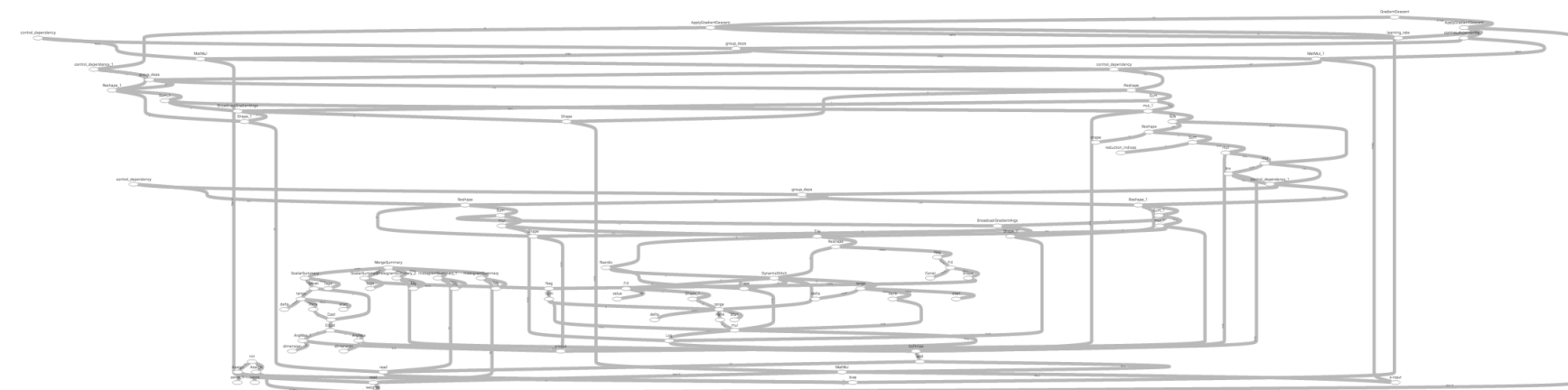
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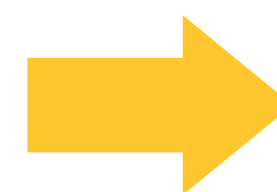


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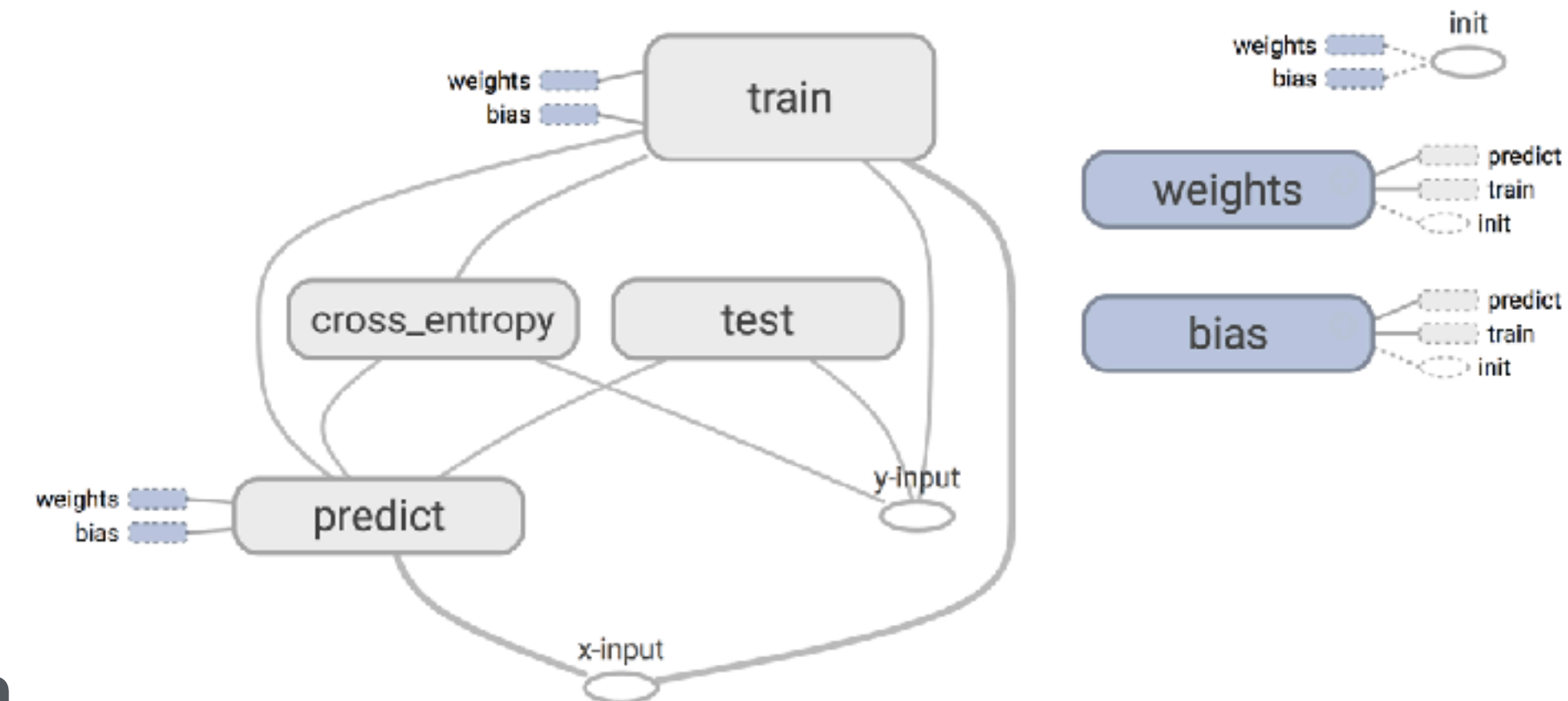




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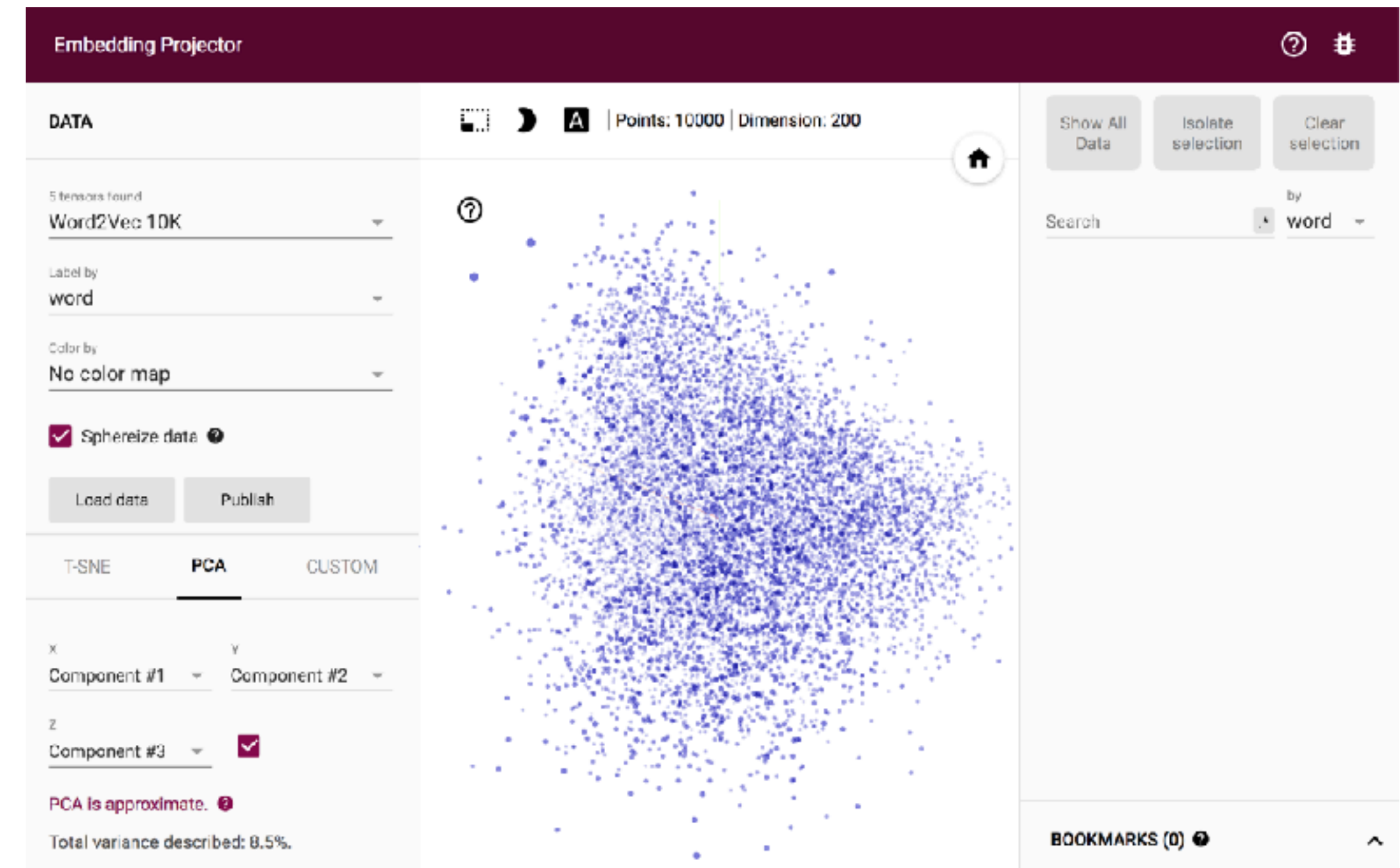
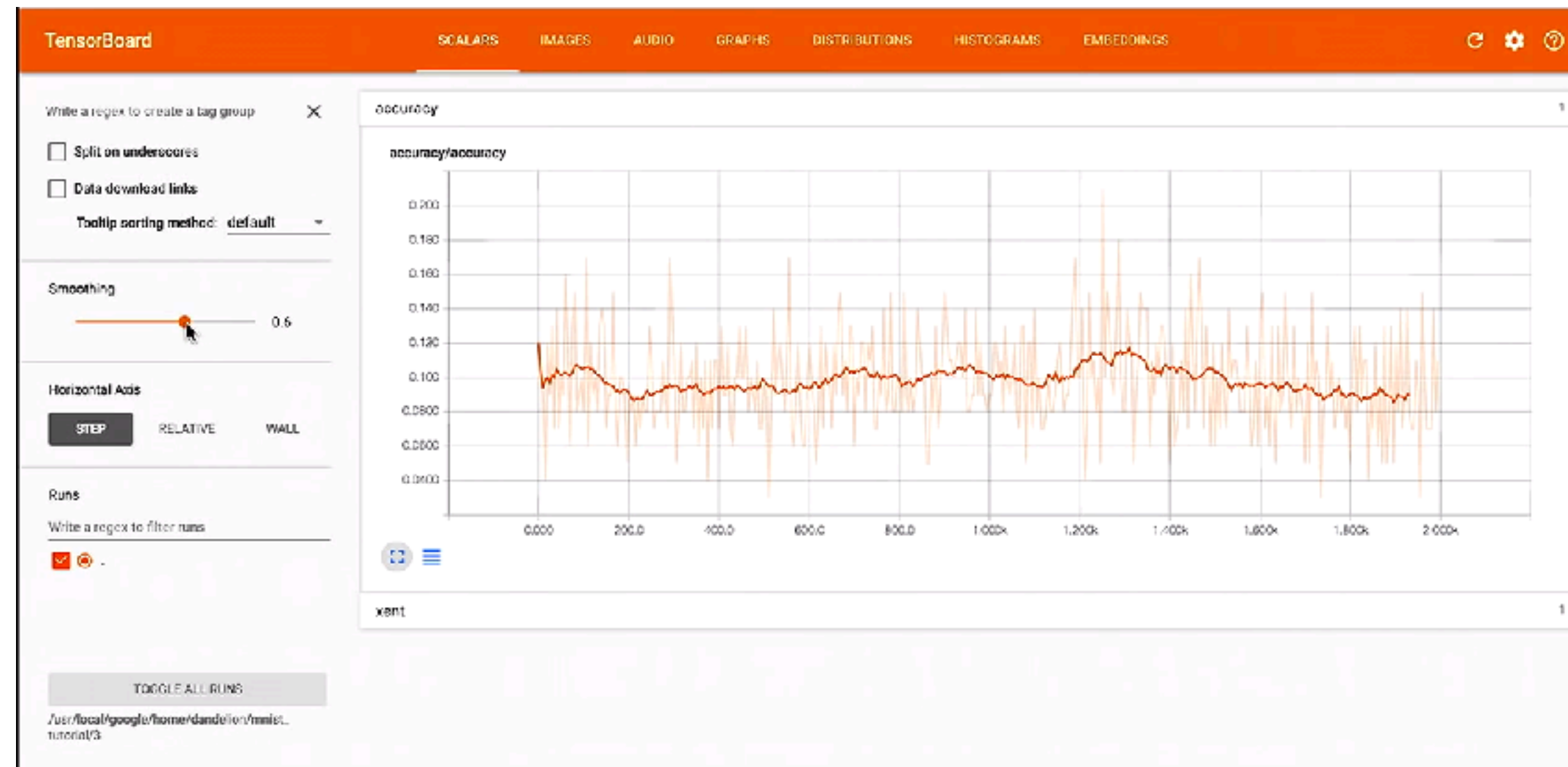



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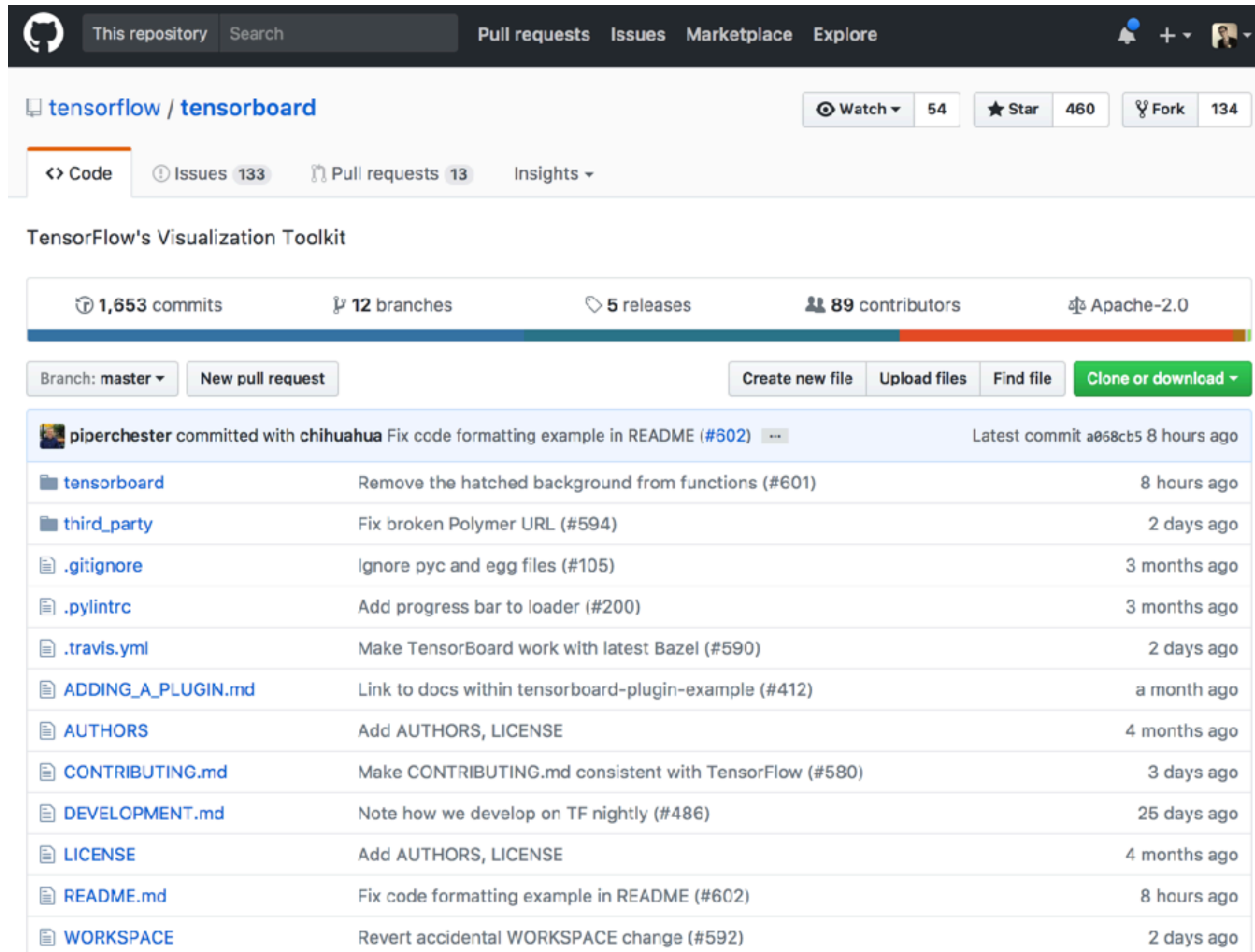
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Build your own Machine Learning Visualizations with the new TensorBoard API

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When we open-sourced TensorFlow in 2015, it included TensorBoard, a suite of visualizations for inspecting and understanding your TensorFlow models and runs. Tensorboard included a small, predetermined set of visualizations that are generic and applicable to nearly all deep learning applications such as observing how loss changes over time or exploring clusters in high-dimensional spaces. However, in the absence of reusable APIs, adding new visualizations to TensorBoard was prohibitively difficult for anyone outside of the TensorFlow team, leaving out a long tail of potentially creative, beautiful and useful visualizations that could be built by the research community.

To allow the creation of new and useful visualizations, we announce the release of a consistent set of APIs that allows developers to add custom visualization plugins to TensorBoard. We hope that developers use this API to extend TensorBoard and ensure that it covers a wider variety of use cases.

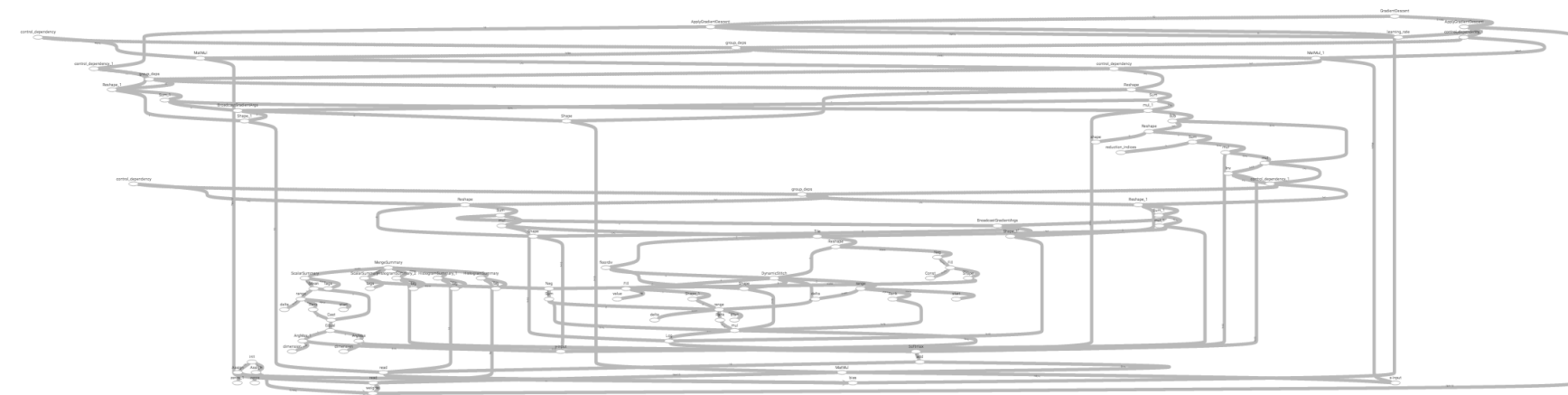
We have updated the existing dashboards (tabs) in TensorBoard to use the new API, so they serve as examples for plugin creators. For the current listing of plugins included within TensorBoard, you can explore the [tensorboard/plugins directory on GitHub](#). For instance, observe the new plugin that generates precision-recall curves:



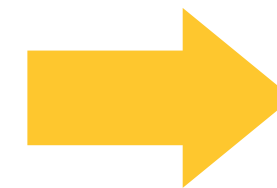
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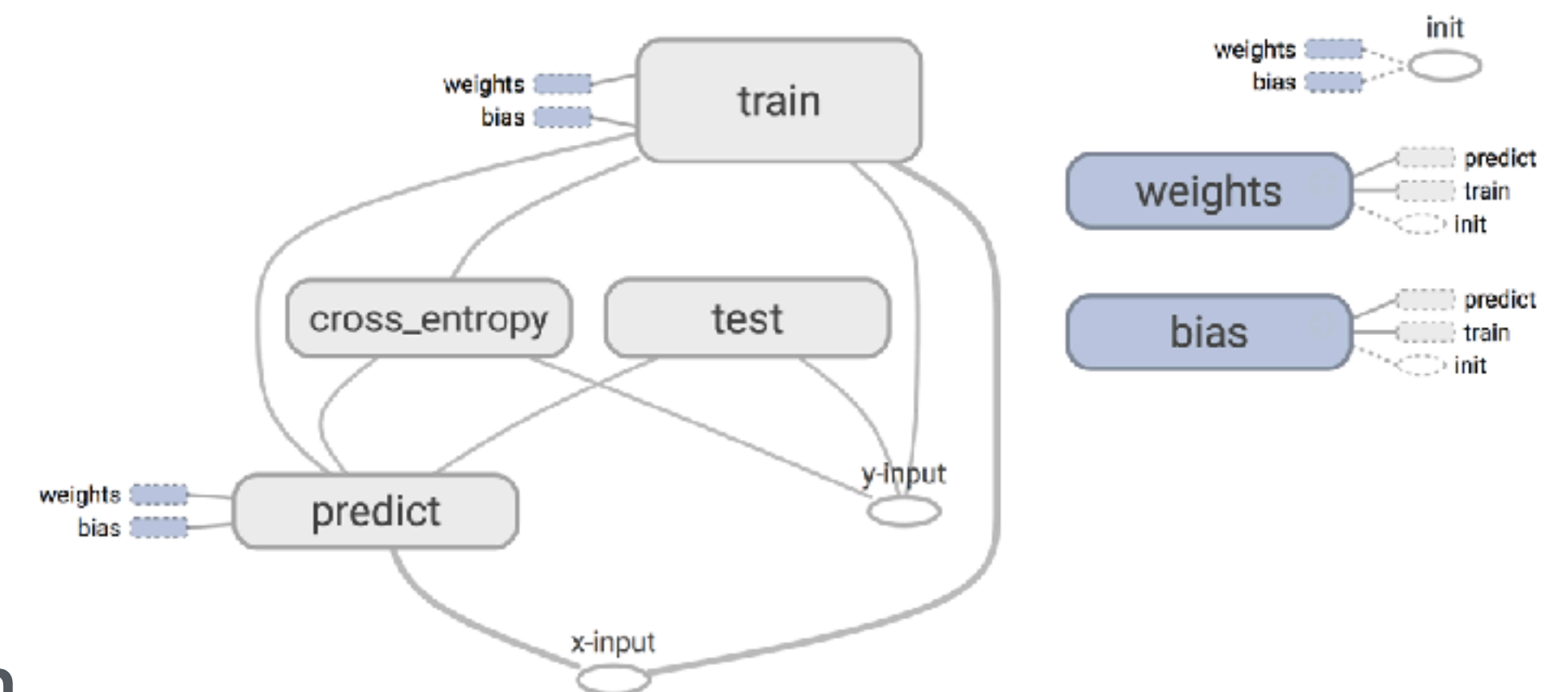
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